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A PENSION FOR PARENTS.

THE BILL PASSES THE LOWER HOUSE OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Relief For Dependent Parents of Honorably Discharged Soldiers and Sailors. Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill—Recognized By the President—Notes.

WASHINGTON, Jan 28.—Just after the morning hour had expired in the house the bill for the relief of dependent parents and honorably discharged soldiers and sailors was taken up. After quite a lengthy discussion the bill was passed as it came from the house and without division.

The bill in its full text is as follows.

"Be it enacted, etc., that in considering the pension claims of dependent parents, the fact and cause of death, and the fact that the soldier left no widow or minor children, having been shown as required by law, it shall be necessary only to show by sufficient evidence that such parent or parents are without other present means of support than their own manual labor or the contributions of others not legally bound for the support; provided that no pension allowed under this act shall commence prior to its passage, and in case of applications hereafter made under this act the pension shall commence from the date of the filing of the application in the pension office

"Section 2.—That all persons who served three months or more in the military or naval service of the United States in any war in which the United States has been engaged, and who have been honorably discharged therefrom, and who are now or who may hereafter be suffering from mental or physical disability, not the result of their own vicious habits or gross carelessness, which incapacitates them for the performance of labor in such a degree as to render them unable to earn a support, and who are dependent upon their daily labor for support shall, upon making due proof of the fact according to the rules and regulations as the secretary of the interior may provide in pursuance of this act, be placed on the list of invalid pensioners of the United States, and be entitled to receive for such total disability to procure their subsistance by daily labor, $12 per month; and such pensions shall commence from the date of the filing of the application in the pension office, upon proof that the disability then existing and continue during the existence of the same in the degree herein provided. provided, that persons who are now receiving pensions under existing pension laws, is whose claims are pending in the pension office, any by application to the commissioner of pensions, in such forms as he may perscribe, receive the benefits of the act, but nothing herein contained shall be so constructed as to allow more than one pension at the same time to the same person, or pension to commence prior to the passage of this act; and provided further, that rank in the service shall not be considered in applications filed thereunder.

"Section 3.—That no agent, attorney, or other person instrumental in the presentation or prosecution of a claim under this act shall demand or receive for his services or instrumentality in presenting and prosecuting such claim a sum greater than five dollars, payable only upon the order of the commissioner of pensions, by the pension agent, making payment of the pension allowed, except in cases heretofore prosecuted before the pension office, when in the discretion of the commissioner of pensions, a fee of $10 may be allowed in like manner to the agent or attorney of record in the case at the date of the passage of this act; and any agent, attorney, or other person, instrumental in the prosecution of a claim under this act, who shall demand or receive a sum greater than that herein provided for, for his service in the prosecution of the claim, shall be subject to the same penalties as prescribed in Section 4 of the act of July 4, 1884, entitled: 'An act making appropriation for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1885, and for other purposes.'

"Section 4.—That section 4716 of the revised statutes is hereby modified so that the same shall not apply to this act; provided, that this act shall not apply to those persons under political disabilities. And no person shall be pensioned under this act, for any disability incurred while engaged in the military service against the United States."

Sundry Civil Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The sundry civil appropriation bill reported to the senate appriates $22,093,856. As passed by the house the bill appropriated $19,753,411.

Among the increases and additions made by the senate committee are those for public buildings at Charleston, S. C., $12,000; Chicago, $84,000, Columbus, O., $14,000, Lynchburg, Va., $8,000; Minneapolis, $93,000; Philadelphia, $5,140; Pittsburg, $510,000; St. Louis, $80,000, Springfield, Mass., $150,000; and Syracuse, N. Y, $150,000, for expense of the Red Cross association conference, $4,000, for steam tender of western rivers for lighthouse establishment, $40,000; for fire proof milling shop, Springfield arsenal, $20,439 Among the reductions made by the committee is that of $3,000 for the Danville, Va., court house.

The President's Reception.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The president's reception to the senators and representatives of congress and the judiciary, last night, was quite well attended, but entirely free from the crowding seen on similar occasions. At no time during the evening were the various parlors more than well filled. Just before 9 o'clock the presidential party came down the private staircase and formed in reception line in the red room. The justices of the supreme court immediately entered, led by Chief Justice Waite, senators and representatives followed. At 10.45, the presidential party made a tour through the east room, and retired to the private parlors. By 11 o'clock all were homeward bound.

Retiring From the Treasury Department.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The treasury department is considerably agitated over the rumors as to the probable retirement of Secretary Manning, Treasurer Jordan and Comptroller Trenholm, for the purpose of entering banking institutions in New York. Treasurer Jordan will undoubtedly retire from official life and re-engage in banking soon after the expiration of the present congress but the rumors as to Messrs. Manning and Trenholm are authoritatively declared to be unfounded.

Consuls Recognized.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The president has recognized William M. Cumming as vice consul of the republic of Hayti, at Wilmington, N. C. Venancio Sanchez, consular agent of Spain, at St. Augustine, Fla., and J F Schleider, consul of the Argentine Republic, at San Francisco.

Examining the Interstate Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The president has referred to the attorney general persons who desire to be heard in advocacy of or opposition of the interstate commerce bill. The attorney general has entered upon the careful examination of the bill

SENATORIAL RACES.

Result of the Elections in Texas, Indiana and West Virginia.

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 28.—The legislature at noon resumed balloting for United States senator The first ballot, the sixth of the contest, resulted: Maxey, 51; Reagan, 50; Ireland, 33. This is a gain of seven votes for Maxey since the previous vote. The seventh ballot stood: Reagan, 52, Maxey, 50, Ireland, 34.

Reagan gained in the eighth, ninth and tenth ballots. The eleventh resulted: Reagan, 56, Maxey, 46; Ireland, 34. This shows since the first ballot a gain of 33 for Reagan and 7 for Ireland, and a loss of one for Maxey. Reagan's strength comes from Terrell's retirement. Gossip has it that Maxey and Ireland will join forces, and after a fair trial for supremacy either will give way to the other A deadlock and an outside nominee are, however, quite possible.

The Deadlock in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 28.—The eleventh senatorial ballot was taken with the usual futile result. The members are coming to look upon the joint convention as a picnic hour. The balloting proceeded without interruption until Robinson bobbed up for Allen, when the audience broke into a roar of applause. The speaker decided the motion to adjourn carried. There is no immediate prospect of a break in the Independent compact, the purpose of which is now to force one or the other old party to select any man the Labor-Greenback people may name.

Result in West Virginia.

CHARLESTON, W Va., Jan. 28.—The result of the ballot for United States senator was J N Camden, Democrat, 38; W. T Willey, Republican, 28, S. C. Burdette, 6; Judge Okey Johnson, 4, balance scattering. Camden lost one vote and Willey 7. The Republicans will stand by Willey, but there is no hope for his election, as his party is in the minority

CHATTANOOGA'S FUTURE.

Moneyed Men of Cincinnati Who Firmly Believe in It.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 28.—Many of the substantial citizens of Cincinnati are becoming largely interested in the purchase of our real estate. For the purpose of facilitating the management of so large interests a number of Cincinnati gentlemen have organized a corporation under the name of the Cincinnati Investment company. Henry Stix, of the firm of Stix, Krouse & Co., clothing manufacturers, is president; M. Krohn, of the firm of Krohn, Feiss & Co., cigar manufacturers, is treasurer.

The gentlemen comprising the company are worth several millions, and the fact that they have already arranged for the expenditure of a quarter of a million of dollars in Chattanooga would indicate that they propose to take quite an interest in the welfare of Chattanooga. The property that has been purchased by this company is mostly central business property and will be improved by the erection of substantial buildings as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made.

Real Estate Board Banquet.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—Two hundred prominent real estate men of this city, with numerous guests from various points in this and adjacent states, will sit down to-night at the Palmer house to the annual banquet of the Real Estate board. The menu is an elaborate one, and the event is expected to be one of the jolliest which the Palmer house has seen for some time. Responses to toasts will be made by Rev. Dr W H. Ryder, John Barton Payne and Henry Lathrop Turner and Mayor Carter H. Harrison will let loose the eagle in response to the sentiment, "The city; will 1887 prove a happy realization of our great expectations, and will we have a million population in 1890?"

A List of Lost Sailors.

HALIFAX, N S., Jan. 28.—The following is the list of those on board the lost schooner C. Graham, as shown by the books in the shipping office here· Charles Coloridge, master, native of Carline, N. F, leaves a wife and two small children in this city, James A. Watt, mate, a native of Sheet Harbor, N S., leaves a wife and one child in this city, Athanese Bondrot, second mate, native of Chetcamp, C B, married, but no children, Percevent Phaliys, cook, a native of Grenada, Albert Booth, seaman, native of Connecticut; James Crolly, of Newfoundland

Tired of Fighting With Stuffed Pillows.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 28.—Ike Weir, the "Belfast Spider," is in town with a bad cut over his right eye, the result of his encounter with Jack Farrell. The "Spider" says Farrell is the gamest man he ever met. He says he went to New York to whip Farrell, and made up his mind that he would have to be put "to sleep" before he was declared whipped. "I want to make a match with Tommy Warren or Johnny Murphy," continued Weir, "and I want to fight with the same gloves I used on Farrell. I am tired of fighting with stuffed pillows.

Another Subject for Lynchers.

SPRINGFIELD, Ky, Jan. 28.—Tuesday afternoon Lud Cornish, a dissolute fellow, called at the house of John Green, a farmer, and proposed marriage to the latter's daughter, Lulu, aged eighteen years. She refused him and he shot her dead. Miss Green's mother, hearing the pistol shot and the girl's screams, ran to the room and Cornish turned the pistol on her shooting her in the hand. He tried to fire again but the pistol's mainspring broke, and he fled to his house, where after a struggle with the sheriff and a large posse, upon whom he fired, he was finally captured and jailed.

THIRTY THOUSAND STRIKE

THE COAL TROUBLES ASSUMES GIGANTIC PROPORTIONS.

An Estimated Number of Longshoremen, Coal Handlers, Coal Boatmen, Pilots, Bag Sewers, Coal Trimmers and Other Workman Effected By the Strike.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The threatened longshoremen's strike went into effect here as predicted. At the various wharves along the river front but few men could be found who were willing to supply the vacant places, and what men did go to work were evidently unskilled in their labor, and were apparently working timorously, as if afraid of being molested.

It is estimated that the number of longshoremen, coal handlers, coal boatmen, pilots, bag sewers, coal trimmers and other workmen on strike in this vicinity is 30,000, divided as follows. New York city, 15,000; Brooklyn, 8,000; Jersey City, Hoboken, Weehawken and interior points of New Jersey, 7,000 Steamships will probably be unable to leave port for two or three days at least. It is stated that the pilots who belong to District Assembly 49, Knights of Labor, have agreed not to pilot a vessel out of port that has non union coal or men aboard.

At a conference between the executive board of Assembly 49 and District Workman Owens, of Poughkeepsie, it was decided to ask all knights employed on the New York Central railroad to refuse to handle boycotted coal. A great deal of coal has been coming into the city over the New York Central from Newburg, where it is brought by the Erie railroad. There are rumors that the railroad and coal companies are taking steps to have the leaders of the Knights of Labor arrested for conspiracy.

The agents of all the steamship companies deny that they are affected by the strike. Nevertheless the Britanic, of the White Star line, which was to have sailed to-day, did not leave, and is still in port.

Members of the executive committee of District Assembly 49 called upon the commissioners of emigration, and remonstrated against the manner in which the coal companies obtain emigrants to take the places of the strikers. The companies, the committee charges, make it a point to secure Poles, Hungarians and Italians under false pretenses as to the nature of the work they are to do and the amount of pay they are to receive After they are aboard the coal boats they are not allowed to leave if they become dissatisfied, and it is claimed they have been struck by the Pinkerton men when attempting to escape.

At Port Johnson the Hungarians, the committee claims, attempted to escape at night, but they were hunted with dark lanterns and drawn revolvers and brought back. At Perth Amboy forty men wanted to leave but were driven back by Pinkerton's men, whom the receivers of the Jersey Central road employed as United States deputy marshals.

A mass meeting of the workingmen was held at the Cooper union yesterday evening to protest against the action of the coal managers and steamship companies, and to take measures that will lead to a speedy settlement of the present difficulty. About 5,000 persons were present and a large police force was present to preserve order. Hugh Grennon presided. He denounced Pinkerton's men for committing a murder, and said the workingmen must keep on organizing.

The first speaker, Victory Drury, said the workingmen believe in speaking for themselves and working for themselves. The principal evils with which they had to contend, and the evil that leads up to all evils, is that the land was monopolized; land was created for all and not for speculators. It becomes our duty to educate workingmen up to such a standard that it will be impossible to keep them in subjection any longer. He concluded by saying "Push on, push on; to-day we bleed, to-morrow we command."

Resolutions were adopted calling upon the government for protection, against the murderous onslaughts of Pinkerton's detectives, and to bring the guilty persons to a speedy trial. John McMakin, chairman of the United Labor party, denounced the action of Pinkerton's detectives and said if blood was spilled in the settlement of the labor question, the responsible parties were those who pull the strings behind the curtain Organized labor, he said, will assert its right and if possible, will not be driven into controversy with the organized authorities But organized labor will not permit private detectives to shoot down innocent women and children Organized labor would not permit it to continue any longer There was a time when a man will stand for his home and family It was on the government alone that rests the responsibility for most of the recent outrages.

T B McIntyre, a prominent Knight of Labor, said it was surprising that the workingmen during the past few weeks have kept their temper so well. This was one of the greatest countries in the world, but it was the capitalists that own all the good things, and when the workingman goes to look for his share, things were hired to shoot him. He trusted that not a single man would go back to work until the fight was over

James E. Quinn, master workman of District Assembly 49, said if private corporations were allowed to engage armed forces to protect, as it was said, its property, all workmen would adopt the same plans to protect their property This was the work of the home club. No Pinkerton thugs would be allowed to obstruct the labor movement in the future The meeting was addressed by George Duncan and others.

Sewing Girls Ordered Out.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 28.—The committee visiting tailor shops in behalf of the sewing girls striking for a return from ten to nine hours nowhere received satisfactory promises, and a general strike of pressers and sewing girls was ordered last night. About 200 employes were effected by the order

Strike Declared Off.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28.—The Knights of Labor last night declared the strike of the lithographer printers off The men have been out over four months

Smallpox in New York.

NEW YORK, Jan 28.—Several cases of smallpox were reported to-day by the health officers, chiefly in the western portion of the city

PREFERRED TO DIE.

Rather Than See Her Children Robbed of Their Beds.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 28.—Peter Nichols, a locked out boxmaker, living at 300 Poplar street, recently mortgaged his property to O M. Johnson, of 164½ Central avenue, for a loan of $50. Yesterday morning when Johnson attempted to take possession of the property Mrs. Nichols ran into the cellar, grasped a hatchet and struck her head with the poll of it, and was about to apply the edge when restrained. She now lies in a dangerous condition. Taking the furniture has been deferred

The trouble was the result of the boxmakers' lockout of seven months ago. Cut off from the means of earning a livelihood for his wife and four children, Mr Nichols four months ago borrowed $50 from Mr Johnson on ninety days' time, gave $10.75 of the money back to Johnson by way of interest and pay for services, and to secure the payment of the whole $50 mortgaged all his furniture. Since then Nichols has had sickness in his family and has been unable to raise the money The note fell due a month ago. After repeated duns Johnson to-day tried to enforce the payment by taking the mortgaged furniture by writ from 'Squire Bright's court. Though Mrs. Nichols injured herself severely she will doubtless recover The furniture is piled up in the house ready for removal

SHOOTS FIVE MILES.

Great Things Predicted for the Final Trip of the Atlanta.

NEW YORK, Jan 28.—When the steel cruiser Atlanta goes out on the third and final trip the last of next week it will assume for the first time the dignity of a fully equipped man-of-war The guns will be placed in position this week Among the guns which belong to the equipment are two of twenty-four feet in length, with an eight-inch bore It costs the government $150 to fire one of these guns, owing partly to the fact that a very expensive powder, which can be obtained only in Germany, is used

The projectiles for these guns are also obtained from Germany They weigh 300 pounds, go at the rate of 2,000 feet per second and explode on striking The two big guns shoot accurately a distance of five miles. The guns were all made at the ordnance department of the Washington navy yard, and were tested at the Annapolis proving grounds In order to satisfy the demands of the government the Atlanta must show an average speed of sixteen knots per hour for six consecutive hours and 3,700 horse power On the last trip seventeen knots an hour were made for the required time, but only 2,800 horse power could be shown Since then several alterations in the machinery have been made.

Foolish Mrs. Van Zandt.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan 28.—Daniel Dougherty has received a letter from Mrs Van Zandt, the mother of Miss Nina Van Zandt, of Chicago, asking him to act as counsel for the Anarchists before the supreme court. He declined to lend his services in the matter Mrs Van Zandt arrived in this city Tuesday evening, and started for New York yesterday to make arrangements to take her daughter to Paris next week She also expects to confer with Grand Master Workman Powderly, and if possible to get him to issue an order, repealing a former one, which forbids the Knights of Labor to aid financially in the defense of the doomed men.

Adjusting the Wages Schedule.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind, Jan 28.—Some days ago the journeymen plasterers and hod-carriers sent a communication to the boss plasterers, asking an advance upon present wages and that nine hours should constitute a day's work Last night the boss plasterers met and agreed to the nine-hour proposition, and the wages were fixed at thirty three and one-third cents per hour for plasterers and twenty-two and one-fourth cents per hour for hod-carriers The boss brick-masons have also agreed to nine hours as a day's work for journeyman masons, with eight hours on Saturday, and forty-five per hour as wages

Slightly Romantic.

WABASH, Ind, Jan 28.—A sensation was created at North Manchester, this county, by the arrival of Lillie R. Stadler, of that city, accompanied by her husband, Nathan F. Furman, of Arrapahoe, Neb Miss Lillie, who is a fair blonde of twenty-eight, answered an advertisement of a correspondent wanted with a view of matrimony The day was finally set, and going to Goshen, she met her correspondent for the first time, and they were united at once The groom is forty-two, and a prominent business man at Arrapahoe The couple leave for their western home in a few days

An Old and Wealthy Merchant Dead.

EVANSVILLE, Ind, Jan 28.—Yesterday William Hughes, the oldest and one of the most successful and wealthy merchants of this city, died in the seventy-fourth year of his age He was a native of Galway, Ireland, where he was born June 30, 1813 He immigrated to this country in 1837, and entered into the dry goods business at Madison, Ind. In 1849, he removed to Evansville, where in 1840 he engaged in the dry goods and millinery business. He leaves a family of five children.

Two Sudden Deaths.

LAFAYETTE, Ind, Jan 28.—Barnett Jenkins, a prominent citizen, member of the mill firm of Breckenbridge & Jenkins dropped dead in the Lahr House lobby yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, aged sixty four years Andrew Kessler, a prominent tanner of this county, aged fifty six years, was found dead in bed this morning He retired in his usual health last night

Yaqui War Ended.

NOGALES, Ariz., Jan 28.—The Mexican gunboat Democrat arrived at Guaymas today with Cajeme, the Yaqui chief a prisoner This ends the war between the Yaquis and Mexicans which has existed two years It is believed Cajeme named his own terms

Prohibition Amendment Submitted.

LANSING, Mich, Jan 28.—The joint resolution submitting a prohibitory amendment to the constitution, was passed in the senate to-day. The question will be submitted at the election next April

THE MYSTERY REVEALED.

AN EXPLANATION OF THE BALTIMORE TRUNK AFFAIR.

The Murderer Arrested and Locked Up in New York—Damaging Evidence of the Murderer's Son Who is Also Under Arrest—The Coroner's Inquest.

NEW YORK, Jan 28.—Inspector Byrnes yesterday evening arrested Edward Unger, a saloon keeper, of No 22 Ridge street, on the charge of murdering the man sent in a mutilated condition to Baltimore. The murdered man's name is believed to be August Boltz. He went to live with Unger some three weeks ago, and was believed to have been possessed of considerable wealth. When Inspector Byrnes examined the apartments occupied by Boltz in Unger's house, he found blood upon the walls and floor He also found a saw, and a large knife with blood upon them.

Inspector Byrnes is confident that Unger is the murderer and that he committed the crime for plunder The prisoner was locked up in police headquarters, and will be held for trial Before the arrest of Unger, the police had traced the trunk to a starting place, Henry Benze's saloon, at 395 Kent avenue, Brooklyn. Benze says it was left there Saturday morning by a man he did not know, and who told him that it would be called for soon In half an hour an express wagon called for it and took it away, The police are now trying to connect Unger with the delivery of the trunk at the Brooklyn saloon

A reporter called on Benz at his saloon and described the man who was under arrest. Benz at once said "That is like Capt. Edward Unger" He went on to say that Unger was a friend of his, a retired sea captain, and that he frequently called at the saloon Last November Unger brought to the saloon a German, thirty-five years old, who had lately come to this country, and was in the sausage case business. Benz bought some of his goods, and afterward dealt with him through Unger Two weeks ago Unger told him that the German had gone to Chicago Benz never learned the man's name.

Later in the evening Benz was brought to police headquarters and identified Unger. Unger's son, Edward Unger, Jr., was arrested last night. He confessed that his father and Boltz or Bohle, as the man's name is also given, quarreled recently about money matters. The next day Bohle and his trunk were gone, and the room was bloody.

The Inquest in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Md, Jan 28.—An inquest was held at 8 o'clock yesterday evening upon the trunk mystery, which was brought from New York by the Adams Express. The post mortem made by Dr N. G Keirle, did not reveal the cause of death Death may have resulted from the administration of some non-irritant poison, or from congestion of the lungs If the former, it can be determined only by chemical analysis; and if the latter, it is obscured by a congestive appearance of the lungs that may be the result of putrefaction, which had already set in when the body was first discovered. Dr. Keirle ventured the opinion that the cause of death would be found in the missing head, if it is ever recovered The jury's virdict was that the cause of death was to them unknown.

Colored Fight to a Finish.

NEW YORK, Jan 28.—A number of sports gathered in an uptown room last night to see the fight to a finish with skin-tight gloves between the colored champions, John Banks, of Virginia, and James Des Verney, of South Carolina, for a purse of $400 Banks stripped at 144 and Des Verney at 146. The spectators were treated to an exhibition of old time fighting Des Verney proved himself the better man throughout, fighting Banks to a standstill in the ninth round, winning the purse and the match.

Walking From California to New York.

CHICAGO, Jan 28.—William Reed, a gray haired man, eighty-nine years old, walked into the armory last night and asked for a night's lodging, stating that he was on his way to Albany, N Y, from California He said he left Albany last summer to seek a living in California. Failing to find one he determined to return to his friends in the east, but as he was unable to purchase a ticket was obliged to walk.

Red Cross and the Drouth Sufferers.

CISCO, Tex, Jan. 28.—Miss Clara Barton, of Washington, D C,, president of the American National Red Cross association, and Dr J B Rubbell, general field agent, arrived here yesterday, to assist the sufferers of the drouth Miss Barton says the people of the north and east are ready and want to assist the needy, and that as soon as the Red Cross speaks, aid will be forthcoming

Si Terrell Pleads Not Guilty.

POMEROY, O, Jan 28.—Si Terrell, indicted for the murder of Charles Phelps, was brought down from Columbus last night and was arraigned this morning for murder in the first degree, He pleaded not guilty His trial will begin about March 10 Judge Desteigner appointed Mayor D A Russell to assist the state, and W H Lasley and J Q Speaker for the defense.

Murdered By Indians.

NOGALES, Ariz, Jan 28.—Word has been received here that a Mexican family traveling from Oputa to Guasaba, in Mexico, recently, were attacked by a band of seven Indians, who escaped from Capt Lawton last fall One man was scalped, frightfully mutilated and killed, and another was wounded

A New York Blaze.

NEW YORK, Jan 28.—Fire last night destroyed the six story building, Nos 144 and 144 Mulberry street, valued at $30,000, and caused the following losses to occupants. H R. Young, paper boxes, $40,000, Universal Color company, $20,000, Robert K Davis, neckties, $25,000 Insurance partial

Let Them Have the Opportunity.

CARLISLE, Ky, Jan 28.—Lige Redmond, colored, residing near here, was brought to town to-day and placed in jail, charged with ravishing his little nine year old daughter The negroes are very much enraged, and will probably have him dangling at the end of a rope if they get a chance

BRIEF MENTION.

News of the Day Compressed for the Hasty Perusee.

Daniel Epply, prominent Philadelphia banker, is dead.

The Democrats have nominated Charles H. Baynes for mayor of Philadelphia.

Benjamin Wheller, a Cleveland miner, has been indicted for murdering his aged wife.

The town of Port Deposit, Md., is submerged by an ice gorge in the Susquehanna.

The hearing of the Bell telephone suit has begun in the supreme court of the United States.

The Quebec legislature met yesterday. Hon. M. Marchand, Opposition, was elected speaker

Mrs. Van Zandt has asked Daniel Dougherty to act as counsel for the Anarchists. He declines.

Col. Samuel Keeper, a well known hotel proprietor, New York, committed suicide in San Francisco.

The Commercial club of Cincinnati, has recommended the sale of the Cincinnati Southern road.

John Tobill, victim of the Republic disaster, has begun suit against the Baltimore & Ohio road for $50,000.

John Oakes, a miner, hanged himself with the windlass rope in the shaft of the Aurora mine, at Hurley, Mich

A. J Seligman, son of Jesse, the New York banker, is held as a hostage by miners at Wick's, Mont., for payment of wages due.

The city of Pittsburg has issued an attachment for $114,800 against Dr. Hostetter, as surety for A Hartuppee, a local contractor.

Coopers employed by Briggs, Morse & Co., Winchester, O., threaten to strike Monday if they are not allowed an advance of twenty-five cents per days.

A fine prize fight with two ounce gloves was fought near Cincinnati, last night, by Fred Martin and an "unknown." The latter was fearfully beaten and "knocked out" in the fifth round.

Congress.

In the senate, Mr. Cullom announced that he would offer resolutions with reference to the late Senator Logan on Wednesday, February 9 Mr. Edmunds' postal telegraph bill was reported and placed on the calendar. A resolution was adopted directing an inquiry by the finance committee into the subject of recoining fractional silver into standard silver dollars. The bill for the relief of disable veterans was taken up and passed without division. The agricultural experiment station bill was then passed. At 5 p. m. the senate adjourned.

In the house the river and harbor bill was passed—154 to 94. The senate bill was reported, preventing the importation of adulterated articles of food. A joint resolution was reported providing for the election of senators by the people of states. The district traction railway bill was taken up and discussed. There was filibustering to prevent a vote, and a recess was taken to carry the legislative day over A night session was held for the consideration of pension bills.

Foreign.

Parliament reassembled yesterday. Lord Churchill explained his resignation from the cabinet. He is said to have produced the impression that he regrets it and is prepared to treat for a return. Gladstone's remarks indicate that he will not propose an amendment to the queen's speech. The official majority against Goschen in Liverpool is seven. Scotch members of parliament have agreed to take action in favor of Home Rule for Scotland.

Indications.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—For the Ohio Valley. Warmer, southerly winds, fair weather

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Quotations of the Money, Stock, Produce, and Cattle Markets for January 27.

NEW YORK—Money 4@4½ per cent. Exchange dull, Governments steady.

Currency sixes, 125 bid. fours coupons, 128½; fours-and-a halfs, 110½ bid.

The stock market opened ¼ to 1½ per cent. lower than it closed yesterday on advices of lower prices for American stocks in London, but before the first hour had expired this decline had been fully recovered under some buying of the leaders by a few bull cliques. Since 11 o'clock the market has been dull and prices have gradually declined The lowest figures of the morning are now current.

Bur. & Quincy	107¼	Mich. Central	87¼
Canadian Pacific	58¾	Missouri Pacific	102
Canadian Southern	56	N. Y. Central	111¾
Central Pacific	36¾	Northwestern.	111¾
C., C., C. & I	106½	Northern Pacific	28½
Del. & Hudson	102¼	do preferred	67½
Del., Lack & W.	134¾	Ohio & Miss	18
Denver & Rio G	25	Pacific Mail	50
Erie seconds	30¾	Reading	37¼
Illinois Central	138½	Rock Island	125¼
Jersey Central	65¼	St. Paul	87½
Kansas & Texas	28¼	do preferred	118¾
Lake Shore	91¾	Union Pacific	56¾
Louisville & Nash	61¼	Western Union	71¾

Cincinnati.

FLOUR—Family, $4.90@4.40, family, $3.40@3.75

WHEAT—No 2 red, 82@84c; No 3, 80@86c.

CORN—No 3 mixed, 37½c, No. 3 mixed, 37½c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 29@29½c, No 2 mixed, 30@30½c, No 3 white, 31@32c.

PORK—Family, $12 87½@13.00, regular, $12.50@12.62½

LARD—Kettle 7.30@7 35c

BACON—Short, clear sides, 7½@7.10c.

CHEESE—Prime to choice Ohio, 12@13½c, New York, 13½@14c.

POULTRY—Common chickens, $1.00@2.00 per dozen, fair to prime $2.25@2.50; choice, $2 75@3.00, ducks $2.25@3 00, live turkey, 7@7½c

WOOL—Unwashed medium delaining, 28@29c; fine merino 30@31c, common 18@19c, fleece-washed medium clothing, 31@32c, combing, 30@32c, fine merino, X and XX, 28@30c, burr and cots 16@16c, tub washed, 31@33c, pulled, 27@30c

HAY—No 1 timothy, $11.00@11 50, No. 2, $10 00@10.50, mixed, $9 00, prairie, $7 00@7 50, wheat, oats and rye straw, $5.00@6.00

CATTLE—Good to choice butchers, $3.30@4.25, fair, $3.75@4 40, common, $1 75@2.50, stockers and feeders, $3 00@3 40, yearlings and calves, $2.25@3 00

HOGS—Select butchers $3.60@3.75; fair to good packing $3.50@3 60, fair to good light, $3 45@4.75, common $3 00@3 40, culls, $2.40@3.00.

SHEEP—Common to fair, $3 00@3.65, good to choice $4.00@4 75 common to fair lambs, $4.00@4 50 good to choice $4 75@5 25.

Pittsburg.

CATTLE—Slim receipts, 151 head, shipments, 171 head, prime, $4 75@5.00; fair to good, $4.25@4.50, common, $3.50@4 00

HOGS—A fair receipts 1,100 head, shipments, 1 00 head Philadelphias, $3.30@3.50; Yorkers, $3.00@3 10, common to light, $3.10@3 25.

SHEEP—Slow prime, $4.50@5.75, fair to good, $3 50@4 25, common, $2.50@3.50, lambs, $1 50@5 00, receipts, 2 800 head, shipments, 2 000 head.

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THE poem, "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight," which countless elocutionists and alleged elocutionists have practiced or recited at least 11 000 times during the last ten years, came into existence by accident It was written nineteen years ago by Miss Rose Hartwick, in Litchfield, Michigan She was at the time a bright, sentimental school girl, and under the pressure of being compelled to read an original piece at a school exhibition, she produced this, her maiden effort, originally one-third longer than the present poem It greatly pleased the audience, and she was advised to have it published She requested the editor of the village paper to publish it, but he declined to do so on the ground that it lacked merit She then took it to another editor, a man of sense, and he gladly published it and and in less than a month it was copied, complimented by all the leading dailies in the United States And thus suddenly the young Michigan girl sprung from obscurity to fame She has written several pretty nursery ballads, and a few prose articles since, but nothing equal to her beautiful and famous production She was married ten years ago, and about three years ago she was taken sick with consumption, and removed to Texas, where she is now living with her husband on a small cattle ranch

OUR neighbor on the southeast, Mt Gilead, voted on the local option feature of the Dow law Saturday, and the measure carried by a good large majority of all the votes cast, the vote being quite small, however The authorities were loth to submit the matter, but the combined efforts of the churches presented an influence that could not be disregarded and a vote soon settled the matter There seems to be a class of people who are tacitly in favor of the existence of saloons, but they fear to vote that way and the out and out temperance people find little difficulty in carrying a local option measure

EX-GOVERNOR FOSTER, whose knowledge of political world has been acquired by active participation in its events, and whose statements may therefore be taken as ex cathedra, is credited with the philosophical remark that "when a politician becomes real mad he should say nothing but just swear" "If the disgruntled democrats of the nation who are dissatisfied with Grover's administration should act upon this advice what a sulphuric odor would pervade the atmosphere in many localities," remarks the Mansfield News

ONE feature of the Dow law that some good people thought needed amendment has been decided upon in such a way that no amendment will be necessary The Cincinnati liquor dealers claimed the right to establish agencies for the sale of intoxicants in amounts not less than one gallon without paying the tax, and the Superior court will affirm this decision That will prevent the establishment of such agencies as an evasion of the tax clause of the law. The liquor dealers will have to pay the tax for every such agency, which amounts to the same as saying that such agencies will be few and far between

A SLIGHT, but we think new departure was taken on Wednesday by the democrats in Massachusetts legislature As is quite usual the republican members were divided in their choice between Mr. Dawes, one of the able Senators from that State, and several other good men. Before the announcement of the first ballot the democratic members changed their votes to Dawes, thereby re-electing him on the first ballot to a seat which he well deserves

THROUGH the persuasions of his wife Sol Smith Russell has decided to abandon the stage for good If hundreds of other alleged humorists could be induced to follow Russell's example, the stage would be much more elevated in tone, more attractive in its inducements, and more profitable to really good players, who get slim houses because the greater part of the audience had been fooled out of their money by poor performances

COLONEL HOLLISTER brother in law of the late Vice President Colfax is a resident of Utah He says We have practically no politics in Utah Democrats and Republicans, Gentile and Jew, Chinaman and Indian as well as all religions, and no religions are all united against Mormonism our common enemy under the one party termed Liberals

W S CAPPELLAR, of the Mansfield News, has been appointed Commissioner of Railroads for Ohio We don't think of any one that more deserved the office than 'Cap' and if he attends to official work in the same thorough manner that he runs his live Mansfield daily the office is in good hands

ALL things are not as they seem One year ago the Black Diamond project seemed to be all wind to the casual observer from this point Now it is an established fact, as sure as death and taxes."

THE great democratic editor of the Louisville Courier Journal, Henri Watterson, does not like President Cleveland very well In a letter from him, which appeared in Tuesday's Courier Journal, and in which he indulges in a little good-natured ridicule of our Nation's statesmen, he closes as follows But this is personal, if not big amous, and I desist. It was Lustis, of Louisiana, who said to a clump of brother Senators who were complaining of the Administration "Gentlemen, you should, in speaking of the President, bear in your minds and hearts the legend over the music stand in the Colorado dive 'Gentlemen will please not shoot at the pianist She's doing the best that she knows how ' "

ANOTHER pension bill has passed the Senate giving relief to all honorably discharged soldiers of the Mexican war, who are dependent upon their own labor for support The maximum figure is $12 per month and includes the old veterans whether they served in the rebel army or not, providing they were not disabled in the latter service In view of the immense treasury surplus and the fact that the veterans of the Mexican war are fast thinning out, the bill can well be allowed

IT is thought that the Indiana Senatorial contest will remain a dead lock until the legislature necessarily adjourns, when Gov Gray will appoint a democrat to the vacancy While precedent doesn't justify this course it will doubtless be done, however, the appointee will have slim chances of securing his seat If the partisan fight is to be carried to the end the U S Senate can take it up and refuse to grant a seat to a democrat

REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG has introduced a bill in the house, to prevent strawboard factories from emptying their waste waters into streams The bill has a local application in the western portion of theis county, where LaRue has been greatly annoyed by the water poisoned by the Kenton Strawboard mills Appeals failed to bring about any consideration by the Kenton mill owners, but the Legislature will doubtless bring them to time

QUEEN VICTORIA should have managed to read the debate in the U S Senate on the Canadian insults, prior to delivering her speech to Parliament, Thursday Oratorical patriotism has grown no less in this country in the past century and though nothing exceedingly serious was meant by the flaming utterences they tend to show the English figure head how *Americans look upon* this little matter

AN enterprising Chicago dime museum prepared a wax figure of Miss Van Zandt, the silly girl who wanted to marry Spies, the condemned anarchist, but the girl's parents and the brother of Spies secured an injunction restraining the exhibition of the 'wax figure" Another dime museum was even more enterprising and offered the young woman $1,000 a month to exhibit herself And this is fame

GENERAL NEAL DOW, it will be remembered, spoke hopefully during the recent campaign of "smashing the republican party in Maine" The general's intentions were doubtless in that direction, but from the fact that at the late election of United States Senator, Dow got one vote, it may be inferred that he is not a brilliant success as a smasher

GEN'L B F BUTLER, whose face is more readily recognized than that of any other man, has accomplished the feat of swearing off smoking and chewing tobacco by the use of slippery elm, which he chews continually We don't know of anything, however, that will cure him of running for office but suicide effectively administered

A CAUCUS of the Pennsylvania republican members of the legislature have decided to submit a prohibition amendment to the electors to be voted upon at the coming fall election

THE Black Diamond schedule includes Marion and the train is rounding the curve, as it were, to make its first stop When our citizens get wide awake they see that they want the road

Persecuted to Death.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan 28.—Ernest McGinley, aged thirty, of this city, committed suicide by throwing himself from the Spring Common bridge into the Mahoning river, at Youngstown, O He had informed Father Barry that he was being persecuted by the members of an organization to which he belonged, on account of having revealed a portion of the secret work

Trial of Boodle Alderman O'Neill

NEW YORK, Jan 28.—A jury was obtained to-day in the trial of ex Alderman O'Neill for bribery The prosecution, after briefly outlining the case to the jury, called as a witness Indioph A Fullgraff, the 'squealing boodle alderman' who again described the aldermanic combine' as he did on the trial of McQuade

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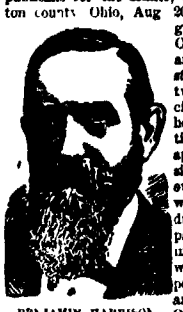
THE INDIANA CONTEST.

A Republican, a Democrat and a Labor Candidate for Senator.

No contest for senatorial honors has been more hotly contested this year than that in Indiana. Pictures and sketches of three candidates—Senator Harrison (Republican), Judge Turpie (Democrat) and Jason M Allen (Labor Greenback)—are here given.

Benjamin Harrison, mentioned by the Republicans for the senate, was born in Milton county Ohio, Aug 20, 1833 He was graduated at the Oxford university and pursued the study of law for two years in Cincinnati In 1854 he began to practice law in Indianapolis, and has resided in that city ever since, save when his official duties required his presence in Washington. In 1860 he was chosen reporter of the Indiana supreme court.



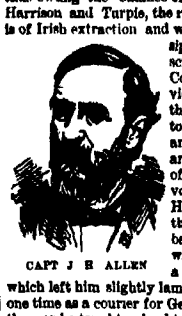
BENJAMIN HARRISON

On the breaking out of the war, however, he enlisted in the Union forces and shortly after received a commission as second lieutenant. A little later he organized Company A, Seventieth Indiana volunteer infantry, and was placed in command of the regiment, after a short engagement. He served with distinction during the war, and was mustered out June, 1865, with the rank of brigadier general He was a candidate for governor on the Republican side in 1866, but was defeated He was appointed on the Mississippi river commission in 1879 He was United States senator from Indiana in 1880, succeeding Joseph B McDonald He is a descendant of the Harrisons of revolutionary fame and of President Harrison.

David Turpie, named for senator by the Democrats of Indiana, is of Scotch descent. His early life was passed in Indiana, when but a lad he asked a friend to teach him the Latin grammar In his study of this ancient language he proved so apt that Greek was next essayed and the friend records that young Turpie "literally devoured" the Greek and Latin classics in his library, and at about the same time the "Universal History" in twenty octavo volumes. Soon after he left college Mr. Turpie was elected to the state legislature and has ever since been prominent among the people of his state

DAVID TURPIE.

Capt. J H Allen, who received the votes of the Labor members of the Indiana legislature for United States senator, and who thus swung the "balance of power" between Harrison and Turpie, the regular nominees, is of Irish extraction and was born in Mississippi He was conscripted into the Confederate service, but embraced the first opportunity to leave the south and join the Union army to the cause of which he was devotedly attached He was in some of the most important battles of the civil war, and received a severe wound, which left him slightly lame He served at one time as a courier for Gen. Grant After the war he taught school in Indiana, was for a time associate editor of The Terre Haute Express, became prominent as a Greenback Labor agitator, and took an active part later in the Irish movement in America organized to co-operate with the Irish Land league. He is now engaged in the drug business in Terre Haute



CAPT J H ALLEN

Miss Cleveland's Home.

It is pleasant to know that Miss Cleveland has made enough from her literary work to refit her cottage at Holland Patent through out Holland Patent is a village near Utica, N Y Her father went there as pastor when Rose Elizabeth was 7 years old He died in a few weeks, leaving his wife with a great many dependent children. Rose is the young est of nine. After her father's death some Presbyterian friends presented to the widow a cottage for a home for the bereft family This is the cottage in which Miss Cleveland now lives, though it has been made over and improved till it hardly knows itself

HOME AT HOLLAND PATENT

The village of Holland Patent gets its name from the ancient patent or grant of land made to Lord Holland by the British government. There are no more than 500 people in the town But it is a pleasant place to live if one is tired of the clash and turmoil of life, and there Miss Cleveland lives meditates and writes.

Rose Elizabeth has some of the quaint old furniture that belonged to her mother In the dining room is an old fashioned mahogany sideboard There are wide, open fireplaces. Across, beneath the tall mantelpiece in the library, are inscribed the words O ye fire and heat bless ye the Lord"

Miss Cleveland is profoundly religious saying grace before each meal

Walt Whitman's Pension Claim

Speaking of his claim for a pension the good, gray poet recently said

'I was never enlisted in the army, but I was with the Ninth Army corps at the first battle of Fredericksburg and looked after the wounded until the end of the war, and, in fact, I was at the hospitals at Washington helping for twelve months after the war It was while assisting at a surgical operation that I became blood poisoned throughout my system after which I became prostrated by hospital malaria, which finally caused my paralysis

French Tax on Unmarried Men

In Paris it is announced that it, all probability the much talked of tax on unmarried men will soon become a law In Paris there are 490 000 unmarried men against 880 000 who have made the perilous venture and suppose the new tax should effect its purpose, there is likely to be a terrific scramble there are only 416,000 spinsters to satisfy the requirements of nearly 500,000 bachelors

WALT WHITMAN.

THE PROPOSAL TO PENSION THE ECCENTRIC POET.

A Born Bohemian—His Restless Nature Rests at Last in a Quiet Little House in Camden, N. J.—A Visit to the Good, Gray Poet.

The introduction of a bill into congress granting a pension of $25 a month to Walt Whitman because of his war services as hospital nurse, calls attention once more to the good, gray poet. Walt Whitman is now in his 68th year He was born on Long Island in 1819 On reaching manhood he was alternately printer, school teacher, reporter, magazine writer, and finally editor and publisher of a weekly newspaper His restless nature led him to a true Bohemian life, which he lived for a dozen years or more around New York During this period he received the inspiration which produced 'Leaves of Grass," on which his fame rests, and about which there are so many opinions. At the outbreak of the war he joined the Union army as a hospital nurse, and served in that capacity three years.

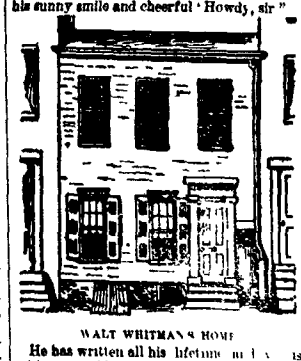
WALT WHITMAN

In a quiet, little frame cottage on Mickle street in Camden, N. J, Walt Whitman has passed much of his life since the war It is as unpretentious as the venerable poet himself, and its outward and inward appearance have much of the quaintness of character that clings about the life and works of the man. A long, dark and cool hallway leads to the stairs, which one must mount to find the poet, for he seldom comes down to receive visitors On reaching the landing, the matronly housekeeper who attends to his cozy home and who has kindly ushered the visitor upstairs, points to the small door of his room, which is standing slightly ajar A rap on the snow white panels is answered by a cheerful "Come in."

WALT WHITMAN AT HOME

The poet is seated in a large armchair of the pattern long since unfashionable, and over the back of which is tossed an enormous "comfortable," presented to the poet by the young ladies of the nighborhood He does not rise to meet the visitor, but with an air of extreme cordiality asks that he be seated Around the room are evidences of the startling unconventionality of his mode of living, everything is of the plainest sort, and the striking contrast between this little "work room," as he delights to call it, and the so termed "studies" of other writers, is something striking, to say the least. A plain old-fashioned maple bedstead is covered by snowy white linen sheets and a patchwork quilt that must have been made by hands that have long ago ceased their labor of love. An old time wood stove that stood in the center of the room brought to the writer's mind recollections of childhood's home and the stove in the "best room" that had been forgotten many years before. Piles of wood that lined the wall beneath the mantel showed good provision for the long winter A few odd bits of equally rustic and antique patterned furniture completed the picture that seemed to be a part of the poet. He had been reading from a small book at the time of the visit here described, and the first impression received was one of surprise, for, despite his great age and white locks, he used no glasses and seemed easily able to read the small print. His hair, long and white, hung gracefully down over his shoulders, and the long white beard that covered the greater part of his face lent him the appearance of one far past his number of years.

An open front shirt, with a great broad collar, which he never ceases to keep open in summer or winter, and a suit of soft gray color, was the simple costume in which he was found In conversation he was a fluent talker, has a good strong musical voice, and likes nothing better than to have some one sit awhile and tell him of the doings of the great busy world without. It has been his habit for years to cross and recross the ferry between Philadelphia and Camden, and nothing but the howling "nor'easter" could induce him to stay at home and miss his favorite study of character on the big boats that ply the Delaware river His great est desire is to write poems upon nature in her different moods, and to accomplish this he incessantly tramped about in the woods and fields and along the water's edge, but his face has been sadly missed by those who were wont to meet him upon the highways or the boats, and catch his sunny smile and cheerful 'Howdy, sir"



WALT WHITMAN'S HOME

He has written all his lifetime and is without a publisher for his w[illegible] ble difficulty was experienced [illegible] bishers who attempted to [illegible] Grass" on account of [illegible] book which were objected [illegible] His method of writing is peculiar, and has drawn much [illegible] he has not been successful [illegible] money

It is a beautiful sight to see this [illegible] man upon the main street of his town [illegible] rounded by a swarm of bright and pretty little school children

ALL SORTS.

St. Louis is to have a new $1,000,000 depot.

It is estimated that 6,000,000 barrels of beer are consumed annually in New York city

The Spelling Reform association of New York, has decided to issue a quarterly magazine

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad is adding a large number of cars and locomotives to its equipment.

Frank James, the ex railroad robber, is trying to become a salesman in a St Louis shoe store

Minneapolis is growing fast, according to her own showing Last year over 4,000 buildings were erected at a cost of $11,000,000

A drunken farmer near Minnewaukan, D T, crawled into a snow bank the other night, and, although the temperature was 10 degs below zero, he woke up the next morning sober and uninjured.

A string of 846 Oriental pearls was recently worn at an opera in New York by Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt. The pearls originally belonged to the Empress Eugenie, and were purchased for $130,000

A female button adjuster has appeared in San Francisco, and is an unqualified success. It is said not an uncommon spectacle is an unmarried citizen standing against the side of a building having a button mechanically fixed on his coat.

James Howard, a colored citizen of Carroll county, Md, who died on Tuesday, was said to be 108 years old, and the fact that he was known to be 80 when his daughter was married twenty five years ago indicates that the claim is well founded.

A young man of Montreal is moon blind, and cannot see at all in the evening He contracted the blindness a few years ago by sleeping on the deck of a ship in the full glare of a tropical moon Such cases, while very rare, are not unknown.

Two of the largest checks for money ever drawn in New York have been framed and will be hung up in the president's office of the New York Central railroad One drawn by C. Vanderbilt is for $1,000,000, and the other by W H Vanderbilt is for $6, 000,000

A peculiar natural substance has been found in Georgia—a yellow material, very much like beeswax, which, when shaved off with a knife rolls up like that article It is a kind of rock, and while there is nothing about it that burns, it becomes as hard as flint when heated

A Chicago man who carries upward of $150,000 on his life, has taken out an endowment policy for his son, a lad of 15, for $10, 000, to be paid when the latter shall reach the age of 25. This method, says The Chicago Tribune, is a simple and effective one, and of a nature that inculcates thrift and saving

It is announced that the Cleveland, Sandusky and Cincinnati, the Springfield and Columbus road, and the Indiana, Blooming ton and Western system have entered into an agreement for a consolidation into one general system, with the name of Columbus, Sandusky, Indianapolis and Western It will include 548 miles of road from Peoria to Sandusky, and from Columbus to Peoria

One of the greatest enemies of the salmon and the salmon fisheries in Oregon is the sea lion. It is estimated that half the salmon that come into the Columbia river in the early part of the season are captured by these big beasts, which also damage nets to the amount of thousands of dollars. Vast numbers of them congregate at Tillamook rock and at Seal rocks, and it is suggested that dynamite be used to force them to seek other localities

Some time ago 100 farmers of Knox county, O, begun a big rat hunt. They divided into two bands of fifty each, with captains, agreeing that the side producing the most rat tails at the end of six weeks should eat a good dinner at the expense of the other side The result was that Capt Leroy Blue's party produced 5,857 rat tails and 1,707 mice and Capt William Gordon's followers came in with 2,886 rat tails and 782 mice, making a grand total of 8,743 rats and 2,489 mice slaughtered.

ON THE OTHER SIDE

In Paris recently 300 divorces were granted in one day

In the city libraries of Paris novels are read 55 times out of 100

It is said that Lord Salisbury would rather have the foreign secretaryship than be premier

The sultan of Turkey has sent the pope a diamond ring with decorations for the cardinals.

Professor Chevreul, the French centenarian, will resign his public position as lecturer in chemistry and retire to Dijon to live

A divorce club has been started in London. Any member who marries ceases to belong to the club, but may remain on the footing of honorary membership

The Duke of Argyle whose writings and speeches and correct life have given him considerable reputation in this country, is set down in England as an odious little prig

Paris exquisites are now dubbed 'hyperchics" They have begun war against the stovepipe hat and the clawhammer coat, and some of them recently appeared at the opera in red coats and derby hats

Prince Albert Victor, who is looked upon as the successor of his father, the Prince of Wales, possesses none of the facility for appropriate speeches for which his father has been distinguished and has the reputation of being dull and vacuous

In calling the son of the Princess Beatrice "his highness, the queen has made a decided innovation in British court nomenclature Practically, it is the founding of a new order of princes to rank immediately after the blood royal and before the dukes.

Gen Boulanger's attempt to introduce the full beard into the French army has not been successful At a recent banquet only two young generals appeared like Boulanger with full beards The mustache and imperial or mustache alone is still the only adornment worn by the French soldier

GOSSIP ABOUT WOMEN

It is again rumored that Mrs Langtry is engaged to be married to Freddy Gebhard, and is only waiting to obtain her divorce

Miss Andrews, the young woman who is to marry John A Logan, Jr is described as a young woman of even temper fine education, and accomplished as well as beautiful

One of the best newspapers in Tokio has taken a Japanese lady on its editorial staff She is the first woman in Japan who has been admitted into the circles of journalism

Mrs. Boulanger, of Branch county, Mich, gave birth to twins two years ago A year later she gave birth to triplets. Last Christmas she added four more little Boulangers to the family

Women in Holland are gradually usurping the occupations of the male pharmaceutical assistants Out of a total of fifty five candidates nineteen out of thirty one females and only eight out of twenty four male candidates were successful in the recent state examination.

GOSSIP ABOUT WOMEN.

Late Clarion is going to manage a theatre.

Sarah Orne Jewett is passing the winter in Boston

Senator Sherman's wife and children will pass the winter in Los Angeles.

[illegible] Margaret, of Italy, like Mrs. Cleve[illegible] of her shopping in person

[illegible] is a small state, and yet it [illegible] more women than men.

[illegible]cks have taken the places of [illegible] of the big New York hotels.

[illegible] Anthony is quoted as saying that A[illegible] Lincoln was the only man she could have [illegible]

Lady Colin Campbell has been offered £100 a night for a concert tour of London and the provinces

Miss Caulfwell, of Washington, who recently gave $300 000 to found a Roman Catholic university denies that she will enter a convent

Floating bricks are now manufactured in France They are made from sandy earth, magnesia, water, aluminum, lime and iron. They are nearly as strong as common bricks.

Mary Huddleston, Mrs Cleveland's cousin, who is living at the White House, rides a tricycle after school hours every day She shows great skill in the management of the machine

Mrs Catherine McCoy who lives in Huntingdon county, Pa., and who has reached the hale old age of 86 claims that she has undisputable evidence that she is a second cousin of Gen Washington

Every year the municipal authorities at Paris award a prize of $2,000 to the most meritorious best conducted and cleverest young needlewoman A Mlle Eugenie Breton got the prize this year

Miss Leila Herbert, daughter of Congressman Herbert of Alabama, is one of the debutantes of the season in Washington. She has a delicate complexion, blue eyes and real flaxen hair of silken softness

Mrs. Don Cameron is the youngest, and many people say the most beautiful of the senators wives She is rather tall and slender, has fair hair, blue eyes, a smooth white brow and a straight nose.

Mrs Horace Helgar, wife of the second secretary of the British legation, has a well modeled and graceful figure, a mass of golden hair and a complexion that entitles her to the name of the Conch Shell beauty"

At a recent White House reception Senator Pugh, of Alabama, was accompanied by about twenty five young ladies, evidently from a seminary As he entered the room the usher announced in a loud voice, "Senator Pugh and family '

A young lady in Hudson, N Y, who has not been able to speak louder than a whisper for a year past surprised her friends by wishing them a happy New Year in her own natural voice This happened on New Year's eve as the clock struck 12

Miss Maggie Mitchell, daughter of Senator Mitchell, of Oregon holds a position most analogous to a professional beauty She dresses very plainly and is said to suggest a grown up cherub if one can imagine a grown up cherub in a tailor made suit and a Gaines borough hat.

Miss Ellen Ellerby, a student in the Manchester School of Art, has carried off the first Princess of Wales scholarship of £25. The science and art department accorded this honor to her as having taken the highest prizes of the year in the national competition of all schools of art

Mme Kuki, wife of the Minister Plenipotentiary from Japan, has a neat, plump figure, long eyes as black as sloes and the blue black locks of her race She used to wear her native costume and looked picturesque in the extreme, but she now appears in French dresses of the latest style

FOR MAN'S AMUSEMENT

Robson and Crane will be under the management of J M Hill next season, if rumor speaks truly

Helen Dauvray's "A Scrap of Paper," was witnessed last Saturday night in New York by one hundred members of the Beefsteak club

Miss Lisie Hoffman, of the Stadt theatre Vienna made her American debut in 'Dorf und Stadt, at the Thalia theatre, New York, last week She was favorably received

Upon the occasion of the first production in this country of Gilbert and Sullivan's new comic opera at the Fifth Avenue theatre D Oyley Carte's new London opera company will appear

Mr J A. Bailey, who has been connected with the Barnum and London circus for several years, has been negotiating for the purchase of the immense Lincoln market building, corner of Broadway and Fairmount avenue, Philadelphia If Mr Bailey succeeds in getting the building he will convert it into one vast amusement house, containing a theatre circus, museum and exhibition hall

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Robson and Crane will be under the management of J M Hill next season, if rumor speaks truly

Helen Dauvray's "A Scrap of Paper," was witnessed last Saturday night in New York by one hundred members of the Beefsteak club

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E MYSTERIOUS NAME.

KEN ONLY IN THE TEMPLE, Y THE HIGH PRIEST ALONE.

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nce each year, on the Day of Atone- t while the Jewish temple at Jerusa- rem stood, the high priest was accus- ed to pronounce upon the bowed and stricken multitude of worshipers the ng which contained the mysteri- ame of God On no other occasion, l from the lips of no other person, could ame be spoken, and when the sacred fell before the Roman armies, and temple itself was razed to the ground, ceremony likewise perished and the ie was lost peculiar interest in this extraordinary ie has always been evinced by scholars antiquarians There is something in mystery that surrounds it, that ap- ls alike to the strict religionist and to investigator whose only motive is the ire to explore the region of the obsure That was thus name that could not even pronounced without blasphemy, and ch has in consequence passed away n the knowledge of mankind?

s is well known, the consonants of the ne are JHVH or YHVH, and since the e of the Hebraist Galatinus the popu- usage has been to pronounce it Jeho- following the example of that scholar no one believes this to be in any way rect, and the ingenuity of hundreds of mentators has been taxed to restore original vowels The name itself, ever it was primarily pronounced, is of marvelous antiquity It is derived m a verb, but was almost forgotten in time of Moses, and its origin is absol- ely lost in the mists of an antiquity it makes the pyramids seem insuffer- ly modern

TOO SACRED TO BE SPOKEN

It was the essentially national name en to the Creator by the Jews—the me by which they thought of Him in privacy of their own homes, in the sence of their own altars—too sacred to spoken, save once each year, and by lips of the consecrated priest of the st High So hedged about was it with erence that the Rabbins did not even re to write about it, but allude to it steriously as "The Name," or "The me of Four Letters," in which the maritans likewise follow them Yet, hough it seems so wholly Jewish, some the most singular coincidences are to be und in the usage of other ancient nguages In the Chinese, some thou- nd years before Christ, there are allu- ns to a name of three mystical letters, HV," denoting that which none can mprehend Among the Phœnicians the me had equal reverence, the Greek iters speak of the "great name" which ey imperfectly give as IEUO or IAO, nd an inscription in the adytum by the mple of Isis at the Egyptian Sais recalls e same dread tetragrammation It ould seem almost as though this were tle by which primeval man was inly taught to worship his creator As has been said, the name, so far as n be learned, has never been pro- unced since Titus destroyed the temple Jerusalem in A D 70 Whether be re that time it was ever in any way lly committed to writing is quite un own Some of the rabbins who are un- ble to deny that the recorded miracles of hrist were actually wrought, declare that he accomplished them by accidentally ining possession of a parchment in hich "The Name" was fully written, nd which thus conferred upon its owner xtraordinary and supernatural powers.

THE SECRET WHOLLY LOST

Whether previously written or not, it ust have been so recorded after Jerusa- m fell for we learn of individuals who reserved the true pronunciation for many enturies Josephus, in his "Antiquities," peaks of the name, but says that it would e unlawful for him to explain it The ewish Mishna speaks of a Jew named Tamzar who was aware of the sound of he letters In fact, as late as the year 600 the oriental Leusden met a Jew at Amsterdam who professed to be able to tter them correctly His family, he aid, had preserved the traditional pro- unciation by means of writing Leus- den offered the man a large sum of money f he would utter the word just once, and is offer was accepted, but shortly after, nd before the payment had been made, great a terror seized upon him as to eal his lips, nor could he be persuaded ither by bribes or entreaties to perform is promise

The secret, therefore, must be regarded s wholly lost, nor, perhaps, would a spirit f reverence desire it to be discovered, hough even the most orthodox Christians egard the Jewish feeling about the name s nothing better than a superstition Whatever one may think, the mystery hat surrounds the whole subject appeals ery strongly to the imagination, as is een in the melancholy end of a well nown American scholar, who devoted his whole life to an investigation of the name, nd upon whose mind the question wrought o strongly as to produce insanity

It may be of interest to give the various pronunciations that different scholars have onsidered the most probable Cappel ould have it Yahveh, Furst, Yeheveh, Gesenius, Yehveh and Wright, Yahaveh, but perhaps the majority of Orientalists incline to Yahveh In reading the Hebrew Scriptures the Jews themselves never pro- nounce the word at all, but substitute the ordinary *Adonai*, or "Lord" —*Home Journal*

For Beginners in Journalism

The chief requisites for beginners in ournalism may be summed up thus

1 A good English education Learn irst to write English, I mean plain, traight quick Saxon sturdy and lithe as a sapling Let your Latin and Greek adornments come in afterward Study he history of the world, of the United States and Great Britain and Ireland and study every thing else that you conve- niently can Drill yourself in writing swift sharp vivid yet graceful accounts of everything that comes under your no- tice Attempt pictures ques, but never at the cost of clearness and brevity Colleges do not teach this art

2 Common sense

3 Good judgment of the relative im- portance of subjects

4 Obedience, patience, punctuality

5 In spite of attaining to all these vir- tues do not be a prig However much knowledge your brain may hold never do or say anything which will lead the wise to charge you with being touched by the malady known as big head Conceit, the wisest call —George Parsons Lathrop in The Chautauquan

Lecturers consider Ohio to be the best state in the union for their business.

STRANGE METALLIC FREAKS.

Queer Forms Assumed by Molten Silver Dropped on Cold Slabs.

Ten years ago this winter I stood in the big California stamp mill at Virginia City, Nev, watching the sixty ponderous 250-pound weights thundering on the quartz The pulp was being stirred in the great pans, the tailings were going out down a flume like a mill race At each settling pan was a large canvas bag held in a vise like grip. I was invited to thrust my hand into one of them I did so, and brought up a great handful of something that was heavy and as elusive as quick sand.

"That," said Senator Fair, then superintendent of the Big Bonanza mine, "is amalgam-quicksilver and gold and silver We put that in red hot retorts The quicksilver passes off in vapor, is caught and precipitated, and the bullion comes out in a blackened but solid mass Now come down to the refining room and I'll show you something D'ye ever see how silver spreads when you drop it? I can't do this as well as I'd like to, for there's too much gold, this stuff runs 45 per cent gold, and it's too heavy to work as I'd like it."

Senator Fair led the way to a room in a brick building adjacent, where two great caldrons were boiling and bubbling "There's half a million in each of those," said Mr Fair "Johnny, clear this iron table, and get me two blocks of ice"

The ice was brought, and the blocks were placed a foot apart on the iron bed When all was chilled Mr Fair said "Give me a fifty ounce ladle" The latter was dipped into one of the caldrons and came up with a pint of white, molten fluid "Now watch," said Mr Fair He held it up as high as his arms would reach and dropped it on the cold slab between the cakes of ice He dropped it in splatches of little more than a tablespoonful each The effect was marvelous As the liquid silver and gold fell its weight scattered it into 10,000 conceivable shapes, and the cold chill so suddenly applied congealed it into a hundred thousand inconceivable shapes in an instant There were splatters and splatches and all sorts of things Where a single drop would fall it would expand to either a coach wheel or a cobweb, as the freak would take it If Mr Fair dropped a spoonful next the cake of ice the splashes would rise, catch on to the ice and make a perfect little wire forest It was one of the most beautiful sights the writer had ever seen

"Jewelers and silversmiths," said Mr Fair, "get a good many of their ideas from just such idiosyncrasies of silver bullion I have held it up before now, dropped it and seen come out the oddest and most surprising forms Lon Hamilton, Jones' brother-in-law, has a complete coach and four and hounds behind—the result of just one splatch on a cake of ice down at the Belcher Odd things in silver? Oh, the silversmiths are more perfect than we are, but I'll bet I can hold this ladle up, drop the whole of it on that cold slab and you will see a variety of forms, devices and grotesqueries such as you never dreamed of. Johnny, give me a fresh ladle Now, stand away Here she goes!" and a pint of molten silver went out on the cold iron

Ten thousand shapes and ill shapes, and ten other thousand forms were there There were forests and streams, and birds and reptiles, and rocks and mountains To have picked out all would have been a week's task.

"Chuck it back into the pan," said Mr Fair "Give me another ladle Now watch this!"

Down it went on the cold slab There were elephants and giraffes, and lions and dogs, and African bungalows, and on one splatch a marching regiment could have been made out by but a trifling stretch of the imagination —Chicago Herald

The Manufacture of Ice.

Ice can now be made artificially for $1 a ton, and the day is not far off when cold will be produced in dwelling houses just as heat is now by radiators and furnished through street mains It is even possible that the same radiators which serve for heating purposes in winter may serve for cooling purposes in summer

The business is a constantly growing one, so much so that there are now forty firms in the United States making refrigerating machines For the last six months there has been one new plant for making ice set up every day in the south Our New York manufacturers send plants almost weekly to the south, and even to Trinidad and Cuba One plant for ice making, costing $20,000, went last week to a town in Ecuador, immediately on the line of the equator I saw an office the other day which was kept last summer at uniform temperature of 70 degs, where a year before 95 degs was a common temperature owing to a metal roof upon which the sun beat constantly Several intelligent men using the cold air machines, but having no interest in their manufacture, tell me that they believe ice for refrigerating purposes will be a curiosity twenty years from now In the great cold storage warehouses the quality of the air is that of a fine winter day, it is so dry that you can strike a match upon any of the walls But the pipes which convey the cooling mixture are covered with frost an inch thick —Brooklyn Eagle

"Samplers" in the Markets

But even the best of the women have some bad tricks, though I have a friend over near the middle of the market who keeps a cheese stand The way the samplers used to swoop down on him was a caution Lots of women used to snake a piece of pickle from our stand and a cracker from another and then get a sample of cheese from him, and make a lunch a good deal freer than any saloon in New York would dare to set The cheese man has pretty well put an end to that business now, however He began to charge for every sample he cut, putting it down on the bill whenever he had one, or asking for it when he hadn't It rather startled a good many worthy dames who had been making a meal free of charge to be charged five cents for a little bit of cheese, but it has had a good effect and stopped the practice at one stall anyway Of course these women had no idea of being dishonest, but they all think that the market men are a gang of conscienceless sharpers, and if they can get ahead of them in any way it's a good thing —Stall keeper in New York Commercial Advertiser

Tar as a Fuel.

Tar as a fuel for ocean steamers is now talked of, and a German named Boani, of Stuttgart, is about to make experiments with a furnace he has designed, on a novel plan, for the purpose

Pierre Lorillard's toboggan *slide at* Tuxedo is exactly one mile long, and the descent is frequently made in just one minute of time

The list of New York "society" people who now write for the press or the magazines foots up thirty-two.

TO MY WIFE

Why need you care dear wife or head,
The passing of your early grace?
What though the lilies supersede
The springtime roses of your face?
What though the azure of your eyes
Has mellowed to a softer blue?
The fairest tints that deck the skies
Are caught from twilight's fading hue.

Why should the ripened fruit regret
Its summer bloom howe'er so fair?
Why need you sigh, though Time should set
His crown of silver on your hair?
The sweetest fragrance of the rose
Is from its fading petals pressed,
And Nature spreads her earliest snows
Above the flowers she loves the best.

What care we for the vanished years,
Save for the fruit their summers brought?
What care we for our fallen tears,
Save for the rainbows on them wrought?
Why should we mourn the joys we shared,
Or see them perish with regret,
Since on the fruit our hearts have fared,
And memory keeps the rainbows yet?

What though our winter time has come
And summer's buds and blooms expire?
Love hath a never radiant home
And Death is welcome to its fire
It dwelt with us through all the spring
We sheltered him from summer's heat,
Now at his hearth we'll sit and sing,
And let the winter tempest beat.

—Lee O Harris.

A Tinker Worth Meeting

The man who rambles roundabout New York with his little pine box on his back and a tinsmith's furnace in his hand and sings at every other step "Any umbrellas, wash kettles or boilers to mend," is a familiar personage, but the dilapidated specimen that blew into the police bureau of The Mail and Express the other day was a rara avis His entire kit of tools was a little black pot about the size of a tomato can and a flat brush about half an inch wide

"Ye hain't got no umbrellers nor overcoats nor shoes ye want done up, be ye?"

His question was so uncommon that the writer was puzzled for a minute and hesitated while the peripatetic tinker continued

"I kin take any old cotton umbreller and make it er genuine waterproof warranted never to leak, rip, stick or tear Ef ye are got a rubber coat I'll size er over fer ye en a overshoe wots worn I'll make it good as new fer ye"

A set of rubber leggings was the only article the writer could find about the place, and passing them over to the tinker he bade him "size 'em over" The operation consisted in painting the leggings in such places as where the rubber was worn away or cracked, and it is only just to say that the work was well worth the fifteen cents charged for it The leggings were really as good as new The composition used in the work was dammar varnish and asphaltum in about equal quantities, to which a little turpentine has been added The coating applied to rubber goods restores their original appearance and usefulness, and, according to the tinker, "is an excellent compound for to cover spots wot gits on gossamer coats and cloaks"—New York Mail and Express.

Where Politeness Paid.

In an ancient and very wealthy town near Philadelphia live two brothers who began life penniless, and are both unbelievably illiterate for their age, their locality and their time One is a master mason, one a master carpenter, and they are between 40 and 50 years old. Of the two the mason has a decided advantage in person and solid sense, and he has had little trade competition to impede him But poor and struggling he is and poor and struggling, unless by miracle, he will remain till the end of the chapter, while the carpenter is the owner of several houses that rent for a high price, and might, if he pleased, live henceforth at ease in his own artistic and luxuriously equipped house

The whole secret is in the carpenter's scrupulously polite manner No patron was too insignificant for him to try to please When summoned to a consultation his shoes were carefully scrubbed at the door, his hat came off his head the instant he was inside the house, and remained off, and especially if his employer were feminine was it a treat to watch him receive her instructions, listen deferentially to her suggestions, enter into her views with respectful appreciation, follow her about, measuring rule in hand, and wait upon her indecisions as if time were a valueless detail, then set himself ardently to reduce her somewhat impracticable ideal to possibility When his hieroglyphic bills came in they were guessed out with shrieks of laughter They proved that if he treated madam like a duchess he made her pay like a duchess, and that every moment of his apparently spendthrift time had been counted, but the thriftiest of lady patronesses neither rebelled nor called in a rival workman Such a carpenter was a luxury worth his price —Providence Journal.

Mexicans Never in a Hurry.

"Rush" is something a Mexican cannot understand He always has time for every thing He stays long at table, dresses leisurely, keeps much in the open air, and the women are of the same leisurely habits

One hears little about "nerves" here, and life goes on just as well, and a little better than if one were keeping ten engagements in twelve hours and reforming all the rest of mankind The oval, warm tinted or even the frequently seen pallid face of the pure blooded Spanish woman has no look on it of a brain occupied with trying to solve the riddle of the universe, and doubtless the universe is just as well off and will run on just as smoothly Boston has been trying for the last half century to guess the riddle of the Sphynx, and never will succeed It needs less cast wind, less of problems and more repose and cheerful fun The Latin races have got nearer to a successful solution of the question of how to live comfortably than the Anglo Saxon Somehow, they have not the faintest idea that the solar system will go wrong if they fail to "give their minds to it"—Mexico Cor Boston Herald

Importation of English Rabbits.

The rage for anything that is "English, you know," has at last developed itself in the importation of English rabbits, which are to be turned loose and allowed to propagate at large in order to afford sport for fastidious hunters, for whom the familiar American cotton tail is not good enough The peculiarity of the foreign game is that it burrows in the ground and escapes or at least hides from its enemies in subterranean warrens, a habit which the more straightforward American species do not possess The depredations of the former upon the crops and pastures of farmers occasion very serious losses in England and in Australia have caused the *sheep husbandmen to expend very large* sums of money for the protection of their ranges —San Francisco Chronicle

It is estimated that at least 25 000,000 false teeth are manufactured annually Of this amount London alone manufactures 10,000,000.

THE ARMORED RAM.

AN EXPERT DECLARES IT TO BE THE COMING VESSEL

Proper Construction of an Efficient Ram, and the Great Advantages It Would Possess Over Other Kinds of Plated War Ships.

"If the limit in size has probably been reached in the construction of the guns that throw a projectile weighing a ton, and if the limit in armor has probably been reached in the vessels that measure its thickness by the foot, and if the utmost limit of speed in the unarmored cruisers with present engines is likely to be about twenty-one knots, as you say what will be the next thing for governments to construct for use in war at sea?" asked a reporter who had been talking with a naval officer about modern war ships

"Armored rams," he replied "The ram has been neglected for years in the race for superiority between armor and guns but the usefulness of an armored ram in defending a port against the attacks of an enemy must soon attract attention once more, and then we will have a discussion on the proper model and power to be given such a vessel

AN ERRONEOUS BELIEF

"It is commonly believed that all modern war vessels are built with bows constructed strong enough to ram an enemy," was suggested

"Yes, but the belief is for the most part erroneous It is true that the lines of the stems of the ships project out to a sharp angle below the water line, and that the plates and framing thereabouts are stronger than in other parts of the ship If one of these ships should happen to hit bow on another one in the side it would probably make a hole in her, but there is every reason to believe that the vessel striking would be about as seriously damaged as the vessel struck, particularly if the latter were running at full speed when struck The attacking vessel would get its nose twisted off, and perhaps she would be rolled clear over just as the coal schooner was that rammed the Oregon Neither the unarmored cruiser nor the heavy armored harbor defense war ship is adapted for a ram The cruiser is not strong enough for one thing, and has not beam enough for another Besides, a big shell from the enemy would destroy her before she got gear enough to ram The armored war ship is so big and unwieldy that she could only hope to ram an enemy through a piece of good luck The shape of the bows of these vessels is all wrong for ramming As I said, the ram on them is simply a knuckle joint in the stem A cross section through this part of the vessel would show that it was much better adapted to stand a strain above or below than from either side Now a ram must needs stand a vertical strain, for in a seaway, as she and the enemy pitched and rolled about, the ram would be apt to plunge down into the enemy's side with a meat axe stroke, but it must be remembered that the enemy is sure to be in motion, probably going ahead at full speed, and that the side wrench that she give the ram would be much more disastrous than any resistance of her side plating It is difficult for a landsman to conceive the awful strain which the ram would receive as the two vessels rolled and plunged together in a seaway

A RAM'S PROPER FORM

"The proper form for the bow of a ram is a modification of a duck bill wider than it is deep, with stout but sharp edges on each side Then as the enemy pushed by, dragging the ram along with her, the broad nose of the ram would simply rip the whole side out of the strongest ship made, and she'd sink like a lead with her next roll. The destructive force of a projectile weighing a ton, when moving with an initial velocity of 2,000 feet, is awful, but the power of a projectile weighing 3,000 tons moving at twenty-one knots an hour is almost infinitely greater The shot may miss the mark, so may the ram, but the ram is an animated projectile that can try and try again"

"But where would the ram be if the enemy's ton projectile struck it?"

"Right on its way for the enemy A well built ram would expose only a steel turtle back above the water This could be made so thick that it would resist any projectile, particularly as the projectile must necessarily strike it at such an angle as to glance off The ram would not be safe from attack beyond peradventure, but its chances of coming out of a conflict uninjured would be much more numerous than those of any other form of vessel She would have no gun turrets nor other exposed or angular parts to stop a projectile A torpedo might reach her, but the chances would be against that Designed only for coast defense the ram would need to carry but a small amount of coal She would not be lumbered up with guns and their attendant machinery and ammunition Her sole mission is to run rapidly and to turn quickly so as to keep bow on to the enemy She would have to be broad enough to give stability to carry the weight of her steel deck and to carry powerful engines and screws She would be cheap to build, safe to handle, and thoroughly effective in time of battle We ought to begin to discuss the plans of a new ram, to be built for use solely as a ram."—New York Sun

He Bought a Glass of "Barm"

I had much curiosity to taste the various beverages of which the English consume such enormous quantities Passing a public house in Leamington one morning I saw a sign in the window, 'Fresh Barm' I thought this must be some kind of home brewed ale so I stepped in and asked the barmaid for a glass of barm She looked at me in a surprised way and said, 'A glass o' barm, sir?"

"Why, yes," I replied, "I guess I'll take a glass"

As soon as I uttered the words I guess she knew I wasn't a native, and at the same time she thought it might be the custom where I came from to take my barm by the glass So she went away and came back presently with a glass of—yeast I looked at it at the barm then at the barmaid who began to grin felt my ears growing red coughed slightly and down two pence and hurried out leaving the strange beverage behind me untasted Since that experience I have been wary of asking for things with unfamiliar names unless I have fortified myself by previous investigation —London Letter in Buffalo Courier

Characteristics of Fish Oil.

Mr A H Allen, in a paper on oils read in the American association said that shark and fish oils are often unsaponifiable, and hence are not fatty ether He believed them to contain cholesterine like cod liver oil The fixed oils can be separated into groups, but we know no process for separating a mixture of lard and cotton seed oil.—Boston Budget

EDUCATION FORTY YEARS AGO

Difficulties of Environment in Pioneer Times—Studying by Firelight

It is a fortunate thing said an old resident the other day, that the death of Logan has put public attention to the school in which he imbibed the principles of patriotism and the fundamental idea of personal liberty Difficulties thrown in the way of a boy developed the qualities that made the stubborn aggressive and persistent man The difficulties of environment in pioneer times made of a boy who had the material to build on the very best kind of a man In the city latent qualities of the severest type of manliness may not be developed in the boy because there is nothing to call for their manifestation

Not many children now prize an education as we did in the olden times and not many are excited to that enthusiasm that made the poor country boy a fanatic in the matter of gaining information I can remember when I was a boy of 9 or 10 of taking my little wagon with its wheels cut out of a thick plank, home made in every particular I remember of going with the little wagon half a mile to where the bark had fallen from the trees along a fence and of gathering this bark and hauling it home to make a light every night that I must study or read The idea that a boy should have a candle by which to pursue his studies was not thought of

This handling of the bark was my own idea and my own venture entirely After supper or after the cooking utensils had been removed from the big fireplace I gathered my load of bark, and would put piece after piece on the coals as needed to make it last for my reading I have always felt sympathy for W D Howells because his old father told me years ago that the man who is now the leading novelist in America was in the habit of doing much the same thing, and that the most of the reading and study that fitted Howells for his first work in literature was done by firelight

That was not more than forty or forty five years ago and yet in a good many houses in the farming regions of Ohio and Indiana to say nothing of Illinois comparatively few candles were burned There was of course at that time no kerosene or inexpensive oil for lamps The lamp in common use was a shallow iron cup, with a pitcher sort of a mouth, into which was put lard or meat fryings and a narrow strip of cotton or linen cloth This typical lamp of the olden times was stuck in a crack between the logs or hung on a nail and if the lard was not too salty it gave a fair light but for the purposes of study the firelight was better —Inter Ocean "Cumbstone Crayons"

A New Thing in Safe Locks.

A new electric permutation safe lock has just been patented by a Chicagoan which differs materially from all other safe locks in the fact that there is no orifice to speak of in the door of the safe The dial which is such a conspicuous feature on the ordinary safe, has no connection in this invention, except by electric wires with the body of the safe and may be on the cashier's desk or repose securely in his home free from any possible violence of the burglar's hammer

There is in fact no limit to the distance that may intervene between the dial and the safe lock granted that the connection is satisfactory and the battery sufficiently strong A safe might perfectly well be in a Chicago office and only be opened by means of a dial in New York The mechanism is very simple The dial rests in a magnetic block from which wires extend and communicate with magnets which set up the tumblers in the lock and so permit of the throwing back of the bolt bar This retains a spring or body of compressed air as the case may be which in turn retains the heavy bolt work The wires penetrate the top plate of the safe at the jamb of the door and move in a zig zag course through the inner plates to the lock The wires are so small and their course so crooked that it is claimed they cannot be traced by explosives A current of electricity is obtained from several small batteries by pressing down a key on the vulcanite block that holds the dial The dial when not in use can be detached from the vulcanite block and carried in the pocket The door of a safe whose lock is controlled by this electric apparatus will present to the burglar not even the spindles which penetrate the wall of the ordinary safe and yield so conveniently to the influences of the blowpipe but simply a knob for opening the door which only penetrates the first plate —Philadelphia Call

The Decaying House of Lords

A striking estimate of the probable duration of the existence of the house of lords was given by Lord Napier of Magdala to the fellow chandlers As long said his lordship as the house of lords numbers among its members such men as Lord Beaconsfield Lord Tennyson and Lord Shaftesbury I believe it will continue to retain the confidence of the British people As the house no longer numbers among its members Lord Beaconsfield or Lord Shaftesbury it appears that in Lord Napier's estimation it has already lost two thirds of the confidence of the people and if the other third is to be measured by the attendance of Lord Tennyson, the light of the house of lords must be waning almost as dim as that shed by the fellow chandlers themselves —London Truth

Flowers of Norway

The roofs of many of the houses are covered with turf for warmth and you see upon them frequently quite a garden of flowers which have sprung up Sometimes there are even small trees Many of the flowers in Norway remind one as indeed the whole landscape frequently does of New England You see the dandelion the buttercup the gentian and various other familiar flowers in the fields In their windows both in town and country the Norwegians have a wealth of flowers that sets you wondering how they can raise them in such beauty and profusion I presume the absence of furnaces and gas has much to do with their success as horticulturists —Col George Bliss in New York Times

Hickory Soles

What did you have your soles driven full of pegs for asked a gentleman of a high kicking friend

They are not pegs was the reply They are next thing to wooden soles What wood you see on the bottom of my foot is hickory driven into oak leather It is a new device The object is to give durability and warmth The wear on the soles comes upon the end of the wood's grains as it does upon Nicholson pavement, and is therefore slow —Philadelphia Times Stu

The Princess Waldemar, of Denmark, is excessively fond of purple and she appears in magnificent costumes of that color

Beating the Market Man

The simple dodge is an old and mean trick by which some shippers in a small way beat the market man out of a dinner more often than not. If you stay here long enough you'll see one of them Usually get from two to a dozen visits from them every day Many of them are men, old men, of respectable appearance, but in cases usually you find a well dressed woman in the business, and now and then a child It is worked like this The sample fiend comes up when you are not busy and tells you that he has not laid in his winter stock of vegetables yet Then he talks about different kinds of potatoes and wants to see what we have got He takes a potato out of each barrel, says he'll try them all and see which he likes best and moves coolly off Of course we never see him again

Now that seems like a very small kind of a confidence game for grown people to be at doesn't it? But I believe there are scores of families who depend on just such little tricks for the chief part of their sustenance Anyway we have lots of them down here I have known them to come and work the racket and go away and the cheat some other stand on the same errand an hour later I actually believe some of them have gathered enough vegetables in this way out of this market in a day to last them all winter Of course beggars we would fire out of here in a holy minute, and persons who didn't look respectable we shouldn't allow to take a sample But what can you do when nicely dressed persons, who for all you know, may own a brown stone block and be able to buy you out a thousand times, come along and work you this way?—Stallkeeper in New York Commercial Advertiser

Reasons for Weathercocks.

Why should cocks figure on the top of steeples? Christians connect the custom with the reproach the cock once conveyed to St Peter But the cock used to be placed on the tops of sacred trees long before it was transferred to church steeples, and in north Germany it still stands upon the May poles It was partly a watchman and partly a weather prophet and by its crowing it could disperse evil spirits and all approaching calamities Its life was sacred in India and Persia, and Cicero speaks of the ancients regarding the killing of a cock as a crime equal in blackness to the suffocation of a father Our weathercocks are doubtless the survivals of the old ideas, though the solar mythologists trace all these things to the use of domestic fowls as obvious personifications of the sun so that "the pearl which the fowl searches for in the dung hill is naught else but its own egg, and the egg of the hen in the sky is the sun itself," and the hen of the fable and fairy tales which lays golden eggs is the mythical hen (the earth or the sky) which gives birth every day to the sun" One can scarcely conceive anything more absurd, and it would be interesting to know how, on solar principles, would be explained the Tyrolese custom of not letting a black hen live for seven years lest she should then lay an egg out of which might issue a dragon destined to live a hundred years.—Gentleman's Magazine

Ways of American Yachtmen.

One of the most prominent members of the New York Yacht club hove up at once with the remark that

"American yachtmen are becoming as set and immovable in their scruples and prejudices as the most rabid sons of Great Britain Whether it has anything to do with the prevailing craze of Anglomania or not I cannot say, but it is there just the same The most steadfast and vigorous efforts on the part of the wide awake yachting men of America toward having the races for the America cup occur in the spring instead of the fall have failed again Because the races have always been held in the fall they insist on continuing to hold them at the same time of the year, although the contests nearly all resolve themselves into drifting matches, and are unsatisfactory alike to yachtmen and spectators If the rule were changed now in the face of precedent and the race held in the spring it would give us another year to get ready for the Scotchman's boat—which you may mark my word will be a clipper—and we would thus be sure of having brisk winds and races fair to all comers"—New York Cor Pioneer Press

Paper, Pens and Pencils.

In a communication to one of the scientific journals on the subject of paper and the industries connected with it, M De Bontuel presents some valuable data showing the great increase in the quantity of pens paper pencils, etc manufactured in Europe and the United States alone According to this authority, the production of paper which at the beginning of the century was practically nothing in the United states some time since amounted to 900 000 tons per annum and this quantity is just doubled in Europe—the value of the straw rags and other materials used in the manufacture of the paper being about $100 000 000 The value of all this paper when manufactured is estimated at $200 000 000 The value of the steel pens annually produced M Bouturel finds to be not less than $1,000 000 —New York Sun

Villains With Light Eyes and Hair.

Why is it that stage villains are always represented with black eyes, black hair and those black mustaches?" remarked a young man who has recently returned from the rowdy west I have spent a couple of years among the cowboys of the plains and I have seen many of the most noted desperadoes in that frontier country It is been my observation and I have heard others say the same thing that these desperate men are nearly always blondes—fellows with light hair light mustache and light blue eyes Some of the most desperate characters I have ever seen were small in stature and quiet looking The dude brunette has I think, been unnecessarily slandered by the make up of the melodramatic villain"—Louisville Post

An Ingenious Method

Mr J Ludjens of Stassfurt, Germany, has recently patented an ingenious method of damming back the flow of water in shafts by the application of the well known fact that certain salts increase their volume very materially by the absorption of water of crystallization in hard ening To accomplish this he takes either calcined soda anhydrous alum, kieserite, or even chloride of magnesium mixes them into a paste and then immediately injects them through a suitably arranged pipe into the fissures through which the water flows It is said that as this paste hardens it swells enough to fill all the interstices of the rock and to render it water tight —*English Mechanic*

What Miss Cleveland Says.

Love Elizabeth Cleveland in her last poem talks about the "pulpy, pretty woman of the period She also says A man is just precisely what his food will make him

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WHEELS IN WASHINGTON.

BICYCLISTS AND THEIR CLUBS AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

How the Iron Steeds are Made to Do Service for the Butcher, the Baker and the Candlestick Maker—A Wheel on the Parapet

[Special correspondence.]

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The prince who ran his special car on rails of glass and was able to sleep as well while traveling as at home in his palace, was no better off for the most part than between 3,000 and 4,000 young men in Washington. Asphalt here takes the place of glass, and wherever you go through out this beautiful capital you find it lying smooth, dry, dustless and clean as the floor of a New England or Virginia kitchen. Had the capital once been a Venice, and its canals been filled up with a molten tide of asphalt, it could be no better than it is. And so it is true that Washington is the paradise of the bicycler. There are here upward of 4,000 wheels and as many hundred tricycles. Winter and summer alike they go spinning about noiselessly conquering space for their lucky owners with the speed of a race horse. The bicycler goes where he will, and is as much protected by customs and courts as the pedestrian or horseman. His range of travel is not circumscribed to any annoying extent by Belgian blocks, Neufchatel or the old fashioned cobblestone. Everywhere, or nearly everywhere is asphalt—160 miles of it, in avenues sometimes 160 feet wide and never less than 80 feet. Americans can be proud of this if they please. Washington has more street area than any other city in the world. Paris has 25 per cent of streets to entire area, London, about the same, Berlin, 26 per cent, New York and Vienna, 33 per cent, but Washington, 41 per cent. Besides the city pavements, there are scores of miles of country roads, finely macadamized with flint.

MILK.

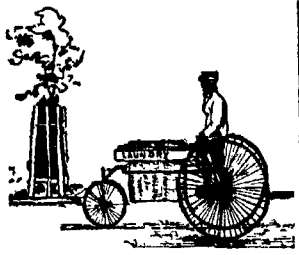
The environment is developing a new species of travelers. And it is not all a matter of amusement, but a practical safe, speedy and exceedingly comfortable means of daily locomotion. The clerks in the public departments are great riders, and I am told the general average of health among them has been greatly improved since the advent of cycling. One of the veteran clerks of the postoffice department, who for twenty years trudged back and forth the two miles between his home and the department, now goes sweeping along through the air as if gifted with wings. His hair is white as snow. At his side hangs his lunch basket, on his wheel is fastened a haversack to carry books or whatever small daily purchases he may make. For him life has been made easier and pleasanter, if not prolonged.

The uses to which the bicycle and tricycle are put here in Washington are manifold and decidedly practical. Newsboys make their routes on the outskirts of town astride of them. Telegraph boys scurry about at all hours of the day and night on the stout little machines provided for them. Workmen, like plumbers, save their precious time by treading to their jobs with locomotive speed. On Capitol hill an old colored man makes a good living peddling milk with a tricycle. He works

OVER THE BRIDGE.

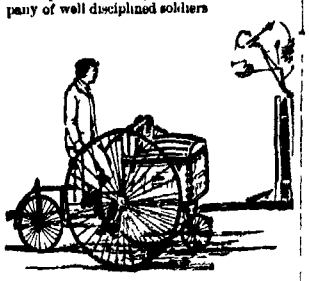
his way about quickly and easily, stops and starts without delay or danger of having his stock in trade run away with and spilled out. Some of the largest dry goods concerns keep several tricycles to deliver goods. Several boot and shoe stores send their goods by tricycles. Laundry tricycles are numerous. Their light willow panniers are large and capacious, and there must be great convenience and economy in their use. The saving generally in the matter of horse feed and care is becoming day by day demonstrably captivating to tradesmen who have a great number of small articles to handle and must necessarily deliver their goods in order to hold their own in the competition of trade.

Washington is one of the few places where bicycling has been made the nucleus of club life. The Capital Bicycle club has a membership of about 125 young men, whose vim and pluck have been well shown in the building of a very handsome club house on Fifteenth street facing the White Lot back of the White House. It is a three story brick structure, designed expressly for bicyclers and tricyclers. The main entrance is a broad Roman arch under which the clubman rides in and out with no small amount of pride. On the first floor is the stable where each member stalls



LAUNDRY WHEEL.

his wire steed, the stall being a slit in the wainscoting into which his edge of the wheel is run to hold it in an upright position. To the rear, on the same floor is a well supplied tool room with bench and wheel horses where the bruised and broken machine may be mended. Here too is a washroom with every convenience for removing all traces of a tug over a muddy country road. On the second floor is the parlor the club room proper and the library. Each is most tastefully furnished. Polite attendants look after the comfort of the club members and their visitors and if a glass of wine or a bottle of turkey is wanted it will be before you can say Jack Robinson. On the walls hang scores of sketches in crayon and water color of scenes visited by the club tourists on their summer rides across the country. In the windows hang fine, large negatives of bicycling groups. Every picture has a history that weaves it in with the life and purpose of the club. On the third floor are the billiard card and fencing rooms. No space is provided for the tyro in wheeling. Every member of the club is supposed to be an expert when he joins. Out on the asphalt of an evening you may any time see groups of expert club riders practicing. They ride in couples and fours, platoons, echelon and single file. Mounting and dismounting at the shriek of the captain's whistle, they look like a company of well disciplined soldiers.



BICYCLE BAGGAGE EXPRESS.

The feats that can be performed on the wheel are wonderful. To see a five foot wheel rolling noiselessly along, with a rigid wheelman standing nearly upright on the saddle is something Washington bicyclers are used to. Riding "side saddle," stopping and standing stock still while still in the saddle and other feats are common enough. The performance that is not seen every day, however, is one nervy young fellow's pastime of riding down the Capitol steps. No one would believe it could be done unless it had been photographed instantaneously. There are eighty of these marble steps, and the daring wheelman can start at the top, mount and continue safely on down to the plaza below and roll down town as unconcerned as if it were only a matter of ante prandial exercise. Another thing few have done and the possibility of which is proved to us only by instantaneous photography, is riding across the coping of the famous Cabin John bridge the longest stone arch in the world. This three or four young men have done. To fall would have been sure death.

In a place where everybody rides it is surprising how soon the average urchin acquires the art. A 4-year-old is not by any means too young to try and the fivers make slashing and dashing wheelmen. Now and then the youngsters carry things too far and word comes peremptorily from the family physician: 'That boy must be kept off his bicycle.' But to the boy who has half a body to start with the wheel ordinarily brings out good strong muscles and steady nerves. It is but a few years since bicycling became so popular in Washington, and the first wheel that came to town is still as good as new and in daily use. When ten or fifteen years more shall have been added to the era of wheeling there is no telling what a race of athletes may then be darting about over these floorlike pavements.

J. A. TRUESDELL.

A STRANGER IN GOTHAM

A Strange Distribution in a Drygoods Store—Politeness in Two Cities

[Special Correspondence.]

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—I was in one of the large Sixth avenue dry goods stores the other evening, and hearing that a rather curious ceremony was to take place, I managed to be present. It seems that there is a "found" desk, where all articles found on the premises by the employes must be taken. There they are kept to await the owner's call. Strange to say, there are a great many umbrellas and overshoes included in the collection, and it puzzled me to imagine how over shoes could be lost unless they were worn on the hands. Well, these articles had accumulated beyond the capacity of the "found" desk, and as a means of getting rid of them they were to be distributed to the little cash girls. About fifty of these red aproned Mercuries took places on a line for the first distribution—umbrellas. One little red nosed and red haired girl received a satin parasol of black and orange stripes. I could see her, dressed in a green frock, a blue hat, a yellow neckerchief and other things, sporting her gorgeous parasol on Sunday mornings in summer. Another parasol had a strip of dirty lace still attached to it, while still another preserved a goodly specimen of pale blue satin. Of course, fate willed that the smallest girl got the biggest umbrella—a great green affair, with a stick like a stair post. The umbrellas being disposed of, an other squad was formed to receive overshoes. As these protectors from rain and snow had not been sorted very carefully the children were not thrice blessed in receiving. It certainly seemed a mockery of the fitness of things for a No. 3 child to be presented with a No. 7 pair of rubbers.

I went over to Brooklyn yesterday and paid a visit to Greenwood cemetery. While Brooklyn seems to be much more old fogyish than New York there are nevertheless some comparisons which might be instituted with infinite credit to the metropolis. For instance in the car coming down to the bridge from Greenwood I sat next to a fine looking man, who, as far as one can judge by appearances, was certainly a gentleman. A couple of girls boarded the car which was already crowded. My neighbor and I rose simultaneously and offered our seats which were politely accepted. We crossed the bridge together and boarded a Third avenue elevated train for up town being fortunate enough to secure seats. At the second station at which the train stopped, a bevy of females entered the car and proceeded to hold on by the straps. I arose, and one of the party took the seat vacated by me without even acknowledging the courtesy by a nod. I had of course, expected that my companion would do as he had done in Brooklyn. But he did nothing of the kind. And considering the non balance with which my sacrifice had been accepted I felt while swaying from side to side in the effort to maintain a perpendicular position that I could not blame him much either. I could not however help drawing the inference that New York air or manners is conducive of selfishness and impoliteness while the contrary is the case in Brooklyn.

The thirteen superstition is revived by the part that number has played in the history of Boodle Alderman McQuade who last week was finally bundled off to Sing Sing. Some of the papers here are saying quite a little about it. Thirteen is a remarkably number for McQuade than has yet been discovered. He lived on Thirteenth street. The number was 13. It took 13 men to convict him—the jury and judge. His lawyers took 13 exceptions for arguments and Judge Pratt took 13 days to consider the motion for a stay. He dined at on the 13th day of the month. McQuade was proposed for membership in the Thirteen club but failed to pass his initiation bonds.

WALTER WIMERLY.

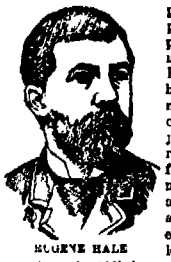
There were 500 more marriages in New York city in 1886 than in 1885. Not less than 1,500 widowers were married again the number being 315 in excess of the widows. About 3,000 of the brides were under 20 years of age. Only one man was married for the fourth time and only one for the fifth time.—Harper's Bazar.

THE NEXT SENATE.

SOME OF THE SUCCESSFUL SENATORIAL ASPIRANTS

Records Worth Reading—Men Who from Lowly Station Have Earned the Highest Honors in the Gift of Their Respective States.

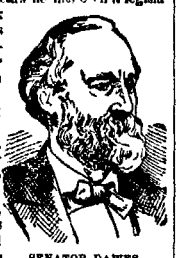
Eugene Hale has been re-elected to represent the "Pine Tree" state in the senate for the next six years. He has just passed his 50th year but does not belie his name in appearance. He is apparently in his prime. Mr. Hale is a native of Maine. He promised well in his youth, being admitted to the bar on reaching his majority. He rose rapidly in his profession, and was for nine years a county attorney. At the age of 31 he was elected to the state legislature, and two years later, in 1869, he was sent to congress, where he remained until 1879, serving five successive terms. In 1881 he was chosen United States senator, and will now succeed himself for the second term. He was appointed postmaster general by President Grant but he declined the position. President Hayes tendered him a position in his cabinet which he also declined, preferring to give his services entirely to his native state, and it is for this attachment to their interests that the people of Maine again honor him.



EUGENE HALE.

Massachusetts' Senator-elect.

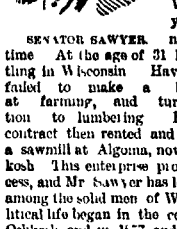
Few men in public life have had such a continuous appreciation of their public services by their constituents as has been enjoyed by Henry L. Dawes of Massachusetts. For nearly forty years he has been a legislator. Away back in 1848 he was elected to the Massachusetts lower house. He was then 32 years of age, his birth taking place at Cummington, Mass., in 1816. This town will ever be famous as the birthplace of William Cullen Bryant, though Bryant was 20 years old and about leaving his native place to practice law at the time that Dawes was born. Young Dawes was graduated from Yale with honor and immediately engaged in teaching. Later he edited two local papers. Turning his attention to law he became a successful member of the Massachusetts bar. His growing popularity soon brought him into political prominence, and he was elected to the Massachusetts legislature, as stated before. After a term there he was returned to the senate, and in 1842 again to the lower house. From 1853 to 1857 he was district attorney. In 1857 he was elected a member of the thirty fifth congress and continuously re-elected to the following eight congresses up to the Forty-fourth, the term ending in 1877. Thus he might have been twenty years in congress up to that time. But the record was broken by his promotion to the senate on March 4, 1875, as the successor of Charles Sumner. When his term expired in 1881 he was re-elected, an honor which has again fallen to him. The term to which he has just been elected will expire in 1893.



SENATOR DAWES.

Senator From Wisconsin.

Philetus Sawyer, elected to the senate from Wisconsin to succeed himself, is a native of Vermont in which state he was born, Sept. 22, 1816. His father combined farming with blacksmithing, and young Philetus early learned to work with his own hands. When he was but a year old the family removed to Essex county, New York state, and his youthful years were passed in the Adirondacks. When he was 17 years old he became master of his own time. At the age of 21 he went west, settling in Wisconsin. Having but $2,000 he failed to make a brilliant success at farming, and turned his attention to lumbering. He first took a contract then rented and finally purchased, a sawmill at Algoma, now the city of Oshkosh. This enterprise proved a decided success, and Mr. Sawyer has long been reckoned among the solid men of Wisconsin. His political life began in the common council of Oshkosh and in 1857 and again in 1861, he was elected a member of the state legislature. For two years he was mayor. In 1862 he was invited to become a candidate for congress, but declined, because of pressing business to run two years later he decided to run and was elected. He continued a member of congress until 1875 when he refused to be a candidate for re-election. He was elected to the senate in 1880 and his re-election by the Republican party is evidence that his course has been satisfactory to his constituents.



SENATOR SAWYER.

Senator from California.

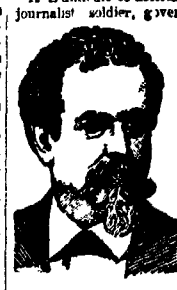
George Hearst who was appointed last year by Governor Stoneman of California, to fill the senatorial seat made vacant by the death of Senator Miller has been elected for the coming senatorial term. It goes without saying that he is a very rich man. California senators usually are. Though now a millionaire Senator Hearst began life as a common laborer. His wife it is said has always had aspirations for Washington life, while he would be better satisfied could he put with his ruled shirt and spend his life among his mines and ranches in the west. No man in America feels more at home in a mining camp than George Hearst, nor is there living one who can excel him in judging and prospecting mining property. He crossed the plains in 1850 and after saving a little money he formed with two partners a firm for speculating in mining claims. They made money rapidly and are now among the heaviest owners in this investment. They control the richest and most profitable mines in Butte city, Mont., as well as in California, Colorado, Nevada and Idaho. Mr. Hearst is owner of The San Francisco Examiner. On tracts of land which he holds to the extent of 40,000 acres in the finest part of California and it is there that the senator hopes to end his days.

GEORGE HEARST.

Re-elected Senator from Connecticut.

Joseph Roswell Hawley, who has just been re-elected senator from Connecticut has been often mentioned as a presidential possibility. His friends base his claim for such honor on his long public service, which began back in 1850, and his party points with pride to the fact that he was never a Democrat or Whig. He began in politics as a Free Soiler, writing for The Republican, a Free Soil paper later merged into The Press, which he afterward owned and run as the organ of the Republican party, and which finally became the present Hartford Courant, which he still owns.

It is difficult to determine whether it is as journalist, soldier, governor, representative or senator that Gen. Hawley has rendered the greatest service to his party and country. He was born in North Carolina in 1826. His father was a Baptist minister and a native of Connecticut. Young Joseph's first political recollection was that he was one of three Union boys in the little North Carolina log cabin school that he attended. At the age of 11 his family moved to Connecticut, where young Hawley continued his studies, graduating in 1847 at Hamilton college, New York. Immediately after leaving college he began the study of law and took an active part in politics. He was a delegate to the national Free Soil convention of 1852, as he was to the national Republican convention of 1856 and to almost every succeeding national convention of that party since.

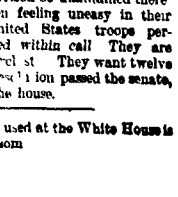


JOSEPH R. HAWLEY.

President Lincoln's call for 75,000 men, after the fall of Sumter, was published in Mr. Hawley's paper one Monday morning, and before that night he had a company enlisted and rifles ordered to equip them. He went to the front as captain of the company. He was the first man to enlist from Connecticut, and at the close of the war one of the very last of the volunteer army to retire, which he did with the rank of major general. On his return from the war he was elected governor of Connecticut. In 1868 he presided at the national convention which nominated Grant the first time. In 1872 he was elected a representative to the Forty second congress, and was re-elected to the Forty-third and Forty sixth congresses, after which he was elected United States senator and is now re-elected for a second term. He was president of the United States Centennial commission from its organization in 1872 to its final meeting in 1879, and to the success of the International exhibition of 1876 he contributed more than probably any individual.

Senator-elect from Michigan.

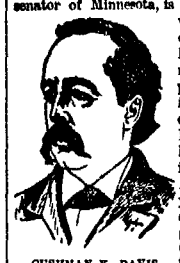
Col. Francis B. Stockbridge, of Kalamazoo, Mich., who has just been elected senator from that state is one of its millionaire lumber and railroad men. He has always contributed largely to the campaign funds of the Republican party. He might have received many honors from his party long before this, even the nomination for governorship was offered to him, but he was obliged to decline them on account of the ill health of his wife. The colonel is one of those big, open hearted 'hail fellow well met' sort of men who always have a host of friends. He is a lover of fast horses, and is delighted at hearing good stories, of which he himself is well supplied. He is a native of Maine and 61 years of age. He went west when a boy and went into lumber for a living. He founded a business in Michigan in 1850, from which he has since reaped a fortune. In 1869 he was elected a member of the state legislature and soon after a state senator. General Grant appointed him minister to The Hague, which he was obliged to decline.



F. B. STOCKBRIDGE.

U. S. Senator-elect From Minnesota.

Ex-governor Cushman K. Davis, of St. Paul, who succeeds S. J. R. McMillan, as senator of Minnesota, is described by those who know him, as one of the smartest lawyers in the northwest. In appearance and ability he has been likened somewhat to Benjamin F. Butler. He was born in Jefferson county, N. Y., forty nine years ago. At the age of 19 he was graduated from Carroll college, and then went to the law school at Ann Arbor, Mich. When he began the practice of law, he immediately became prominent as a ready debater. He was appointed United States attorney in 1868, which position he filled until 1874 when he resigned to become the Republican candidate for governor of Minnesota to which position he was elected. Unlike many of the western senators, Governor Davis is not a rich man, though he has a large income from his law practice.

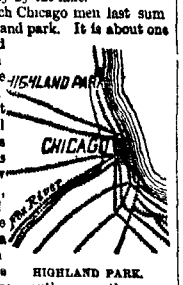


CUSHMAN K. DAVIS.

Chicago Wants an Army.

Sixty six citizens of Chicago want a standing army at its gates. Chicago always had a way of its own but this seems a queer wrinkle even for the big city by the lake.

A number of rich Chicago men last summer, bought Highland park. It is about one square mile of land lying on Lake Michigan, twenty five miles north of Chicago. It was bought by the Commercial club. Among its purchasers one finds the name of the new Illinois senator, Hon. C. B. Farwell.



HIGHLAND PARK.

Soon after the park was bought a resolution was introduced into the senate by Mr. Logan, authorizing the secretary of war to accept as a gift a deed of Highland park to the United States government. Seeing that the United States has a good deal of land lying about loose already, this seemed a queer gift.

But the final clause of the resolution read thus, "for military purposes." The land was to be donated to the government on condition that a military garrison be maintained there. Chicago's rich men feeling uneasy in their minds want United States troops permanently stationed within call. They are afraid of the Anarchist. They want twelve regiments. The resolution passed the senate, and was sent to the house.

The mirror used at the White House is made by Mrs. Folsom.

BILL NYE.

Mysteries of a Laboratory in the North Carolina Mountains.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Jan. 13.—Last week I went out into the mountains for the purpose of securing a holly tree with red berries on it for Yuletide. I had noticed in all my pictures of Christmas festivities in England that the holly, with cranberries on it, constituted the back ground of Yuletide. A Yuletide in England without a holly bough and a little mistletoe in it wouldn't be worth half price. Here these vegetable grow in great profusion owing to the equable climate, and so the holly tree is within the reach of all.

I resolved to secure one personally, so I sped away into the mountains, where, in less than the time it takes to tell it, I had succeeded in finding a holly tree and losing myself. It is a very solemn sensation to feel that you are lost and that before you can be found something is liable to happen to the universe.

I wandered aimlessly about for half an hour hoping that I would be missed in society and some one sent in search of me. I was just about to give up in despair and sink down on a bed of moss with the idea of shuffling off six or seven feet of mortal coil when, a few rods away I saw a blue smoke issuing from the side of the mountain and rising toward the sky. I went rapidly toward it and found it to be a plain dugout with a dirt floor. I entered and cast myself upon a rude nail keg allowing my feet to remain suspended at the lower end of my legs, an attitude which I frequently affect when fatigued.

The place was not occupied at the time I entered, though there was a fire and things looked as though the owner had not been long absent. It seemed to be a kind of laboratory, for I could see here and there the earmarks of the chemist. I feared at first that it was a bomb factory but as I could not see any of these implements in a perfected state I decided that it was safe and waited for the owner to arrive.

After some time I heard a low, guttural footstep approaching up the hill. I went to the door and exclaimed to the proprietor as he came, 'Merry Christmas, colonel."

MERRY CHRISTMAS, COLONEL.

"Merry Christmas be ——!" said he in the same bantering tone. 'What in three dashes, two hyphens and an astonisher do you want here, you double dashed and double blanketed blank to dash and return!!"

The wording here is my own, but it gives an idea of the way the conversation was drifting. You can see by his manner that literary people are not alone in being surly, irritable and unreasonable.

So I humored him and spoke kindly to him and smoothed down his ruffled plumage with my gay badinage, for he wore a shawl and you can never tell whether a man wearing a shawl is armed or not. I give herewith a view of this chemist as he appeared on the morning I met him.

It will be noticed that he was a man about medium height, with clear cut features and retreating brisket. His hair was dark and hung in great waves, which seemed to have caught the sunlight and retained it together with a great many other atmospheric phenomena. He wore a straw hat, such as I once saw Horace Greeley catch grasshoppers in, on the banks of the Kinnickinnick, just before he caught a small trout.

I spent some time with him watching him as he made his various experiments. Finally he showed me a new beverage that he had been engaged in perfecting. It was inclosed in a dark brown stone receptacle, and was held in place by a common corn cob stopper. I took some of it in order to show that I confided in him. I do not remember anything else distinctly. The fumes of this drink went at once to my brain, where it had what might be termed a complete walkover.

I now have no hesitation in saying that the fluid must have been alcoholic in its nature, for when I regained my consciousness I was extremely elsewhere. I found myself on a road which seemed to lead in two opposite directions, and my mind was very much confused.

I hardly know how I got home but I finally did get there, accompanied by a strong leaning toward prohibition. A few days later I received the following letter.

SIR—I at first thought when I saw you at my laboratory the other day that you was a low, inquisitive cuss, and so I spoke to you in harsh tones and reproached you and upbraided you by calling you everything I could lay my tongue to but since then I have concluded that you didn't know any better.

You said to me that you found my place by seeing the smoke coming out of the chimbley, that has given me an idea that you might know something about what's called a smoke consumer, of which I have heard.

I am doing a fair business but I am a good deal pestered, as you might say by people who come in on me when I do not want to mingle in society. A man in the chemist business cannot succeed if he is all the time interrupted by Tom, Dick and Harry coming in on him when he is in the middle of an experiment.

I am engaged in making a remedy for which there is a great demand, but its manufacture is regarded with suspicion by United States officials who want to be considered zealous. Rather than be drawn into any difficulty with these people, I have always courted retirement and avoided the busy haunts of men. Still, some strolling idiot or other will occasionally see the smoke from my little home and drop in on me.

Could you find out about this smoke consumer and see what the price would be, and let me know as soon as possible?

If you could do so I can be of great service to you. Leave the letter under the big stone where you found yourself the other day when you came out of your trance. I call it a trance because this letter might fall into the hands of your family. If you will find out about this smoke consumer and leave the information where I told you, you will find on the following day a large jug of mountain dew in the same place that will make your hair grow and give a rosate hue to your otherwise gloomy life.

Do not try to come here again. It might compromise me. A man in your position may not have anything to risk but with me it is different. My unsullied reputation is all I have to bequeath to my children. If you come often there will not be enough of it left to go around, as I have a large family.

If you hear of anybody that wants to trade a good double barrel shotgun for a small portable worm and retort that is too small for my business, I can give him a good trade on it if he will let you know. This is a good machine for experimental purposes, and being no larger than a Babcock fire extinguisher it can be readily conveyed to a place of safety at a very rapid rate.

You might say to your friends that we shall try in the future as we have in the past to keep up the standard of our goods, so as to merit a continued patronage.

Citizens of the United States, or those who have declared their intention to become such, will always be welcome at our works, provided they are not office holders in any capacity. We have no use for those who are in any way connected with the public teat.

I. B. MOONSHINE.

Dictated letter.

I hope that any one will feel perfectly free to address me in relation to anything referred to in the above letter. All communications containing remittances will be regarded as strictly confidential.—Bill Nye in New York World.

KEEPSAKES

Each lover has a keepsake
For the memory of his love,
One has a note or a ribbon,
And one a curl or a glove.

But I am rich in keepsakes,
Three notes I treasure apart
There are two accepting my presents,
And one declining my heart.

—Macmillan's Magazine.

Too Direct.

Mrs. Dacre (in an effort to start the conversation)—Now, major, which was it, the lady or the tiger?

Major Gotall (who has been on the plain for ten years, has recently lost some money and is not familiar with literary chestnuts)—Really, Mrs. Dacre, if any rumors have come to your ears with regard to my—er—conduct since I came east, you must at least give me the benefit of a Scotch verdict—not proven, you know.—Puck.

Scared at the Wrong End.

A woman was seated in a cutter in front of a store on Monroe avenue the other day when the horse began to kick, and a pedestrian caught him by the bridle and observed:

"Seems as if he was frightened at something."

"Perhaps he is," replied the woman, as she tumbled out, 'but I always thought the front end of a horse got scared first."—Detroit Free Press.

Some Hope for the World.

"I tell you honest men are not all dead yet," he said as he returned to his sleigh in the Central market. "Here's a robe which could have been sold to me for a bear skin, but the dealer frankly informed me that it was nothing but goat." "How much did you pay?" 'Only $11.' "I'm. Same man sold me one for a bear skin and didn't ask but $8."—Detroit Free Press.

Undoubtedly a Lye.

The water of Medical lake, at Spokane Falls, Washington territory, is so charged with certain salts that it resembles lye, and is used in making soap. When the surface of the lake is disturbed by a gale the waves are crested with soapsuds, which when deposited on the beach are gathered up by laborers and used to lather their patrons.—Omaha Bee.

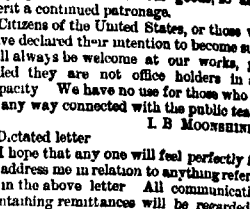
Caution in the Postoffice.

There is a postoffice in Pennsylvania known as 'President." On Monday President Cleveland received a letter addressed as follows: "His Excellency, Hon. Grover Cleveland, President." The letter had been forwarded from President, Penn. and was indorsed "Not here at present. Try Washington."

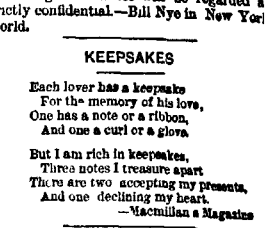
She Had Learned the Fashion.

Four year-old Beatrice was lunching in company with her mamma the other day when a gentleman said, to tease her little ladyship "I know what you would like." "What is that?" "Oh, you'd like a little brother." "No, I shouldn't. I detest men."—Boston Herald.

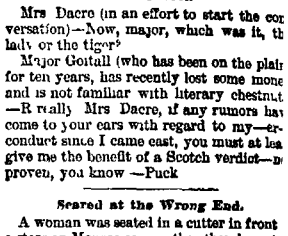
A Striking Piece.



"Och! I haf bought me a new piece



musick, Katrina called Rippling Vaders.' I know it will strike you mit effect.



'Gott in Himmell! Vere you puy dot piece of musick?—Judge.

He Probably Wiped His Feet.

Capt. Walsh of the Salvation Army wears a red shirt on which is embroidered a burning hell awaits the careless. It is rumored that his wife did the decorating with a view to making the captain wipe his feet before coming in the front door.—Boston Herald.

A Convenient Saving.

In some of the New York theatres ushers pass around water between the acts. All the young men have to do now is to carry a small flask in their pockets, and the cost of the flask will more than be made up by saving in shoe leather.—Yonkers Statesman.

Very Flattering.

At the Ball. He—Really, Miss Aury, I must pardon me. I am so sorry not to be able to amuse you, but positively no such thing will come into my head."—Fliegende Blaetter.

They Pull Well in Harness.

Henry Ward Beecher says money is necessary to happiness. Of course it is. Neither is lemon juice necessary to a raw oyster, but it adds mightily to its success.

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LOCAL NEWS.

—Mrs Dr Harding visited her daughter at Columbus Monday

—Miss Jennie Beatty left Wednesday for a short visit at Urbana.

—Mr and Mrs J F McNeal entertained a party of friends Tuesday night

—B F Harding, M D, of London, Canada was visiting relatives in the city

—Mrs Jud Ruhl and Miss Ella Bull, of Galion visited Ed K. Clark and family Tuesday

—The remains of Mr Frank Campbell were taken from the vault and buried Tuesday afternoon

—E F Underwood Caledonia s leading mer hant, was in the city on a short business trip Monday

—B P Sweney left Monday afternoon for Illinois on business for the Marion Steam Shovel company

—The remains of Mrs A Shroeder were taken from the vault and interred in Marion cemetery Tuesday

—E W Rayl returned to Marion Monday from Horace, Kas, where he has been in the cattle business

—Traveling Agent Bishop, of the Commercial Gazette, was in the city Tuesday on newspaper business

—Miss Mate Hedges of Upper Sandusky is the guest of Miss Fannie Peters, and will remain until after the Bicycle dance

—The commissioners in special session Monday adopted the engineer s report on the Berry ditch and ordered the labor sold

—Jimmie Beatty has succeeded Rollie Drake as agent of the Commercial Gazette, and Rollie will attend business college at Delaware.

—Frank Shrote and Oscar Olds accompanied a car load of horses to the Queen City Monday, where they will place them on the market

—Mrs M H Woods of Burlington, Iowa, was called to this city by the illness of her father Mr O W Newton at the home of N A Showen

—Grandmother Book residing with her daughter Mrs Chas Stose on south West street who has been ill for some time is slowly recovering

—The Board of Pension Examiners had but few applicants Wednesday notwithstanding the fact that just as many people want pensions as ever

—The Huber folks report the sales of 25 engines already this year If such business continues during the entire year it will be one of remarkable prosperity

—Daniel Furstenberger of Richland tp, died Monday afternoon at 3 o clock The funeral took place at the German Reform church Wednesday, at 10 oclock a m

—There are men in this city who are reported as really being opposed to the Memorial Chapel to the honored soldiers of this county The liberal minded will scarcely believe this

—Rev O W Waldron has given his congregation notice that he will resign this field of labor when his time expires in April He has two calls already, one of which he will probably accept

—The signs of the spring move are already seen There will be many changes of residences Those who have property to rent should remember that our special column is the best place to say so

—The charming little Jennie Calef is playing around Marion again After having dated us a half dozen times and failing the last on account of a broken leg, Jennie might try to give Marion a chance to see her

—The Immortal J N is writing his friends hereabout that he will soon be on hand to assume all the pressure If 'J N' will come and remove the waterworks pressure in Marion he will be a welcome guest

—Union dear old girl, is going to drill for natural gas and has nearly raised the requisite sum After Marion, Bucyrus, Crestline and Mansfield have failed Galion concludes to try, just to keep apace with her neighbors, if nothing more

—Col Hawkins has returned from a trip along the Black Diamond line as far as Chesterville and he says that all along the rights of way and subscriptions are in good shape Marion is the only tardy point and it won t be long till she s aboard

—Messrs Holly and Robinson representing the Holly and Bullock waterworks systems respectively were riding over the city Tuesday taking a general view of the town Councilman McMurray was with them showing them the places for hydrants, mains etc

—The county commissioners were out viewing the proposed Marion city sewer ditch is petitioned by the council Tuesday The sewer is to extend from the neighborhood of the Marion cemetery to the Little Scioto and will be a great improvement on our city drainage, should the commissioners establish it

—Two tin peddlers sought a free permit to sell their wares about the city Tuesday May r Gailey was very busily engaged in preparing Myrrh Mixture for the market at the time but emphatically informed them that they did such work under penalty It is found that our merchants sell as cheaply as outsiders and they deserve protection

—Three boys sons of old veterans armed with an old piece of gas pipe and some powder went to the stone quarry to have some sport They put up a piece of old stove pipe for Jeff Davis and loaded up with nails and fired away One of the boys, Herbert Byers did not get far enough away from the fuse and got his face and eyes full of powder so that he is in bad shape

—Messrs H Cook and D C Hogan, who were arrested Monday for peddling rugs, had their trial before Mayor Gailey Tuesday forenoon J C Johnston appeared as their counsel and City Solicitor Scofield attended to the prosecution A number of witnesses were examined the trial resulting in Mayor Gailey fining them $10 and costs For awhile the gentlemen insisted they would rot in the city prison before paying the fine, but they changed their minds and whacked up in good shape.

—The entire force has been busily engaged at invoicing at Frash's for the past week

—Felix Reber is reported seriously ill with bronchial trouble, and his recovery is doubtful.

—Sunnyside has increased one in population Alf Mason's bouncing baby boy is the latest.

—A little son of James King, residing three miles northwest of town, is quite sick with lung trouble.

—A petition has been filed in the probate court for the appointment of a guardian over Conrad Drollinger

—Press Marion will not be invaded by the soldiers of salvation until Febuary In the meantime the ungodly, and others as well, have time to throw up fortifications

—Miss Della Wentz returned to her home in Delaware, O, Wednesday, after a three weeks' visit with the Misses Dorward on Gospel Hill Miss Gertrude Dorward accompanied her

—Well, well, well! And we, too, are to be permitted to see the antiquated and hoary headed Uncle Tom's Cabin The bill boards announce the coming of '2 Mark's, 2 Topsies and 2 donkeys' next week

—The county commissioners were out viewing the Cleveland ditch, running along the Bowling Green and Green Camp township lines Wednesday The board earns its fees when viewing ditches during such weather as this

—Mrs Kathrina Huffman, died at the home of her children Mr and Mrs Philip Huffman, on the Berwick pike, at 10 o clock Wednesday, aged 78 years. Her death was the result of consumption The funeral occurred Thursday at one o'clock, at the German Reform church in this city

—Again is a Marion county pioneer called to join the great silent majority Mr O W Newton, aged 86 years, 7 months, 5 days, died Tuesday at 10.20 p m, at the residence of his son in law, Mr N A Showen, on Bellefontain avenue He was a resident of Marion county for about 10 years Funeral occurred Thursday at 10 a. m, Rev O W Waldron officiating

—John Prosser, the well known horse dealer and a former Marion boy, died at Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory, Thursday His remains arrived here from the West early last Monday morning and were taken to the residence of Judge C H Norris, at which place the funeral occurred at ten o clock that forenoon Rev Munson officiated Mr Prosser was a victim of quick consumption

—The county commissioners awarded $50,000 in insurance to the agencies of G S McGuire and Walters & Bell, Friday, the former getting $35,000 The rate at which the policies are to be written is one per cent. for five years, showing that a remarkably cheap rate has been secured Other agents were applicants for their share, but they would not write at less than one and one-fourth per cent

—E Meyer & Co's grocery house, on Main street, was closed by Sheriff Beckley Tuesday evening on an execution issued by the Common Pleas court, of Franklin county to satisfy a judgement of about $3200 The judgement was taken by four different creditors, whose combined claims foot up the above amount. It is not announced whether the claim will be satisfied or the stock sold under the execution.

—Delaware is having quite an interesting sensation to talk about. One of its most respected citizens, Chas. Smith, president of the Co-operative Cigar company, was arrested Saturday, by a Pennsylvania detective, who charges him with having broken jail at Lancaster, Pa, in 1882. Smith, or Ehman, as his name seems to be, escaped at that time with a very tough gang and the recapture of the entire crowd has just begun After his living an upright, honorable life for five years it seems hard that he should have to return and pay the penalty at this late date

—Bob Dumm, in the Upper Sandusky Union, says "We are glad to learn that none of our immediate friends of the C, H V and T railway have been guilty of stealing or defaulting to the amount of $8 000,000, as was hinted at last week In fact the whole thing was a delusion or the ingenuity of a correspondent who wanted to write up something sensational Of course the report gave us a little uneasiness, as we hold a pass over that road and, if there was a steal or defalcation to that amount, we were afraid the company would want to economize and cut off our excursions to the two Future Greats of Ohio We breathe easier since we learn that the whole thing is a canard and that the C, H V and T was never in better trim or under better management. '

—Donkey parties are the latest thing in the way of a social gathering A large silhoutte representing a tailless donkey is cut out of paper or cloth and fastened upon the wall To each of the guests are given a cambric tail and a pin Then they are blindfolded one by one, placed in a corner opposite the donkey, are whirreled three times around and then started on a blind search for the donkey, upon which if they reach it, the tail is to be pinned If the guest goes in another direction and stumbles against a wall door chair or anything else, there he must leave the tail The movements of the blindfolded are apt to be ludicrous The person who makes the best effort to place the tail upon the donkey where it belongs receives a present of some kind while the guest who makes the most unsuccessful effort gets the booby prize

Probate Court

Timothy Kelly has been appointed executor of the will of Mary Mortel

G N Myers and R J Myers appointed administrators of the estate of Jonathan Myers

Winfield S Redd and Margaret A Strickland were licensed to marry

Deed of assignment from J E McConnel and F E. McConnel to Wm E. Moore filed

John D Smith and Mary A Riley were licensed to marry

Isaiah C Jones, administrator of estate of James Jones, filed third account.

J E. Virden, guardian of Chas. H Virden, filed final account and rendered first account as guardian of Maurice A Virden

J H Gruber, administrator of the estate of T B. Gruber deceased, filed inventory and appraisement.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

THE N Y P AND O YARDS THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT

That Results in Death.—George Daugherty, of Ashland, a New Man, is Caught in a Cattle Guard While On Duty, and Is Fatally Crushed.

Another of those distressing accidents occurred in the N Y, P and O yards in this city Tuesday evening about six o'clock, the victim whose life is thus suddenly terminated being George Daugherty, of Ashland, Ohio.

George was head brakeman on a N Y, P and O freight train, east-bound, Tuesday night, and had gone with the engine and a couple of cars to the Greenwood street switch, where they were to set off a car for Marion Right close to the Greenwood street crossing he pulled a pin to disconnect the car and was in the act of stepping back out of the way when his foot caught in the cattle guard His position was not explained, but in some manner he was thrown so that the wheels passed over his right arm at the wrist, his right leg was crushed terribly at the knee, and some bolt has penetrated almost through his thigh, completely severing the muscles, but with *out injuring the bone or cutting the femoral artery*

The engineer, who heard his cry, was quick to the rescue, and the wounded man was quickly carried to the Titus House, where surgical aid was called. Though half crazed with suffering, Daugherty told his name and the particulars above, giving also his home

Dr Sweney was soon on hand and an examination, assisted by Drs Adams, McConnell and Rhu, resulted in the conclusion that all hopes were against the patient, but if there were any it was in amputation The most serious wound was that in the thigh On the surface there was only a circular cut, but a more careful examination revealed the terrible work the penetrating bolt had done. The large, strong muscles of the leg had been completely severed, but the femoral artery was uninjured, though surrounding flesh was all torn away and the pulsations of the precious life blood could be plainly noticed. This wound necessitated making the amputation at the hip otherwise the flesh would have sloughed off and resulted fatally in a few days at best. The entire right leg was removed and the arm amputation effected before ten o clock, but the shock of the accident was too much for the rather frail brakeman, and he never recovered his senses

Daugherty was 24 years old, and a sober, industrious young man He only went upon the railroad last Sunday, and his in experience no doubt led to his death His mother, whose sole support he was, was deeply grieved and she tells a sad story Her husband died during the war, and one by one four sons who have supported her have been taken away George, was her youngest and a faithful boy, and being out of work temporarily, he went upon the road last Sunday in order to be earning something

'I don t know what I'll do now," tearfully remarked Mrs Daugherty to the STAR, "but I'll trust in kind Providence to aid me in this terrible affliction" The mother and remains of the son were sent to Ashland on train four Wednesday

Obituary.

Effie Belle Gordinier was born December 11th, 1871, and died in Marion, O, January 22d, 1887, aged 15 years, 1 month and 11 days.

She was converted to God when about six years of age, grew up year by year more abundant in the Christian graces and more symmetrical in her religious character Last winter, during the special services, she took a firmer hold on Christ as her Savior, testified that she received a large increase of grace and a richer experience in the things of God She became verry willing to bear witness to God's converting power, and her voice was often heard in prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit She was very faithful in attendance at Sunday school and church, and during a protracted illness of nine weeks, and great suffering, was patient and resigned to the will of Providence. She has gone to a Christian's home.

This is the seventh child these bereft parents have seen laid in the tomb, only one remaining to them, a married daughter residing in Kansas.

The funeral services were held in the M E church, with a very large congregation in attendance, after which the remains were laid in the vault in Marion cemetery

A C BARNES

Two Failures.

J E McConnell & Co, proprietors of the Novelty Bazaar, filed papers of assignment today, as is given in the Probate Court news Ed McConnell, manager of the late firm, informed the STAR that their liabilities would probably aggregate $500 to $600, and that the stock would pay out in full by judicious handling

In an interview with the manager of E. Mayer & Co, notice of whose failure is given in a local elsewhere, he said "he thought their assets would pay out, as they have a large stock We had no banking facilities but on the contrary had the enmity of some, one of whom assailed our credit last fall without good reasons"

The firm paid their paper up to 2 o'clock Tuesday, and were pushing business with no knowledge of the coming crash We hope they can make a satisfactory settlement and resume business, for all such disasters hurt more than those directly interested

Soldiers' Monument

We notice that Muskingum county has a bill before the House authorizing its commissioners to aid its monumental association in putting up a memorial building Other places are following this common sense idea, and providing suitable and enduring memorials of the patriotism of the brave men who saved the nation in its great peril.

Citizens of Paddy's Run, O, petition the postoffice department to restore that name to their postoffice, recently changed to Glenlowen.

WALKS AND TALKS

Not Much Being Talked of, But the Star Catches a Fraction of What is Current

"Why in the world don t you turn off those waterworks hydrants that are wasting your columns at such great length? asked a Main street business man of the STAR. Without waiting for an answer he continued "Don't you know that all these communications are without effect unless it is to kill off the project altogether The next thing you will have will be a letter from Peleg Sapsucker, arguing that Marion don't want anything but a fence arouud it, and a dam in Goose creek to keep that crystal water supply from getting away from us."

In the court house basement the STAR was approached with "Say just put in a squib saying that the county commissioners would do the proper thing if they were as careful in all expenditures of money as in the insurance letting They hung fire for a month or more in order to save $125 in this matter."

The gentleman was evidently offering well meant praise. If the same effort was made to save in county printing the amount of salvage to the county would be five times as much in one year, while the economy above referred to was in a deal for five years.

"What a lively place we will be in the spring trade," contemplatively observed one of the legal fraternity 'The Black Diamond building, the construction of waterworks and our usual spring building boom, all giving life to the day, and the Salvationists to make the nights lively Great is Marion and her attractions'

In anticipation of the drum and tambourine and the female captains, the follower of John Jay forgot that we are to have a fine new Fourth ward school building and three new business blocks, already promised.

Progressive euchre doesn t seem to be flourishing this year with all the eclat of the two previous society seasons At least, one doesn t hear so much of it, and the presumption is allowable that the church objections to it has either been effective in subduing the craze or making less less parade of it. The game has its devotees as of old, however

"What do you know?" Is the question so often plied in search of news The numerous answers vary but little 'Nothing is the most common answer and it is given by nine out of every ten An occasional one ventures "nothing new, ' and a rare nothing that I dare tell" There are but a very few citizens who are not aware of some fact that they would read with interest if it came from another source, but it would take a corliss engine to draw them out

RAILROAD NEWS

The Erie Express is to have its own delivery wagon in this city after the first of February The Erie is steadily growing

Huntington News The new turn table and fixtures have been shipped to Montreal, and will be placed in position immediately

The C and A road is again getting in nice shape The road is in fine condition, and freight is now being more readily handled.

Freight train No 16 on the N Y P and O, had a couple cars off the track near the junction Sunday morning and delayed trains about an hour

Huntington News Frank Shinebarger went to Marion, Wednesday, to do some work on one of the N Y, P and O engines, in use on the C and A.

The N Y, P and O has promulgated an order to the effect that each freight crew will have a regular engineer First in first out of Kent, Galion, Urbana and Dayton

Huntington News Engineer Wm Mc Grew and Freman Krouck, went to Marion, Tuesday, to bring over one of the U S rolling stock engines, temporarily leased by the C and A

Last Monday's blockade at Crown Point is now explained All the side tracks west of that place were filled, and the passenger trains delayed, No 12 being seventeen hours late, and No 6 was abandoned entirely

Prospect

Mrs. Mary Landon died at her son Milton's home, east of town, Saturday night Funeral services were held at the Otterbein church this afternoon

Emanuel Knachel is still confined to his bed.

David Johnston, who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs N C Hilford on east Water street, for the past two weeks left yesterday for Magnetic Springs

Lafe Gast and family returned to their home in Gahana, O, Saturday

Noah Gast and wife, of Owens, visited Joe Gast over Sabbath

Work has been resumed on the Gast Bros elevator during the few warm days

John Hasted has secured a position with Miller, Jones & Co

Mr and Mrs Elmer W Yantes, of Columbus, are visiting Mrs Yantes parents Mr and Mrs P C Sells, on north Main street.

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Crooked Brooklyn Officials.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Rumors have been dying around in Brooklyn for the past week, of the discovery of irregularities in the city government, that would create a sensation when investigated. There seems to be some ground for the stories now To-day Mayor Whitney, Corporative Counsel Jenks, Chief Engineer Nevins, Fire Commissioner Ennis, Chief of Police Mason, Superintendent Reilly, of the New York and New Jersey Telephone company, Superintendent Watson, of the Fire Department telegraph, Fire Commissioner Poyllon and Superintendent Price, of the Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph company, were examined by the grand jury None of the gentlemen would divulge what occurred, but those in a position to know say the grand jury is curious to know how the telegraph and telephone companies received certain privileges which they now enjoy, and what connection the New York & New Jersey Telephone company has with the fire department.

Advancing Rates and Wages.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 18.—The Western Nail association, at its meeting yesterday in this city, ordered an advance of twenty cents on the card rate. This places the selling price at $2.60, at which rate the nailers receive a material advance in wages.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

SIZE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE ARMIES ON A PEACE FOOTING

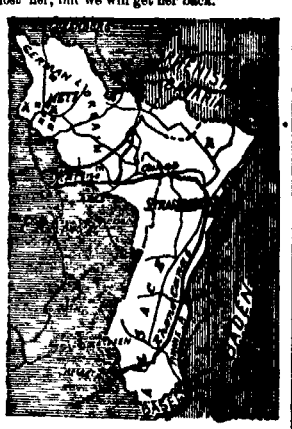
The Army of France Greater Than That of Germany by Nearly 50,000—Warlike Preparations on the Part of Both Nations—Bismarck's Speech.

Those who read the war sky of Europe aver that there are clouds and storms ahead. Before many months, they say, there will be music in the air The speech of Bismarck to the reichstag has called attention anew to the subject. The equilibrium of Europe is so tense that a slight blow at almost any point would shatter it to fragments.

It is expected that the fragile fabric will crack along the line between France and Germany When Bismarck asks for additions to the army Germany means war, the prophets say They recall that Bismarck made the same sort of speech in the spring of 1866, and in June of that year took place the battle of Sadowa in which Germany decisively whipped Austria. Again, in the spring of 1870, he called attention to the need for strengthening the imperial army Sept. 2 of that year Napoleon III and an army of 90,000 surrendered to the Prussians at Sedan. It is France again that Bismarck is driving at now.

Years cannot wipe out the wrath and shame of France over her defeat by Germany Around the beautiful Place de la Concorde in Paris are placed statues representing the principal cities of the departments of France as they were before Sedan. Among them is Strasbourg, in the lost province of Alsace Ever since 1871 the statue has been hung with those ugly black and white bead funeral wreaths so common in Europe. Every year, on the anniversary of the taking of the Bastile French boys are taken to the funeral statue and vowed to vengeance for the loss of the city

Poor Strasbourg!' the Parisians say, "we lost her, but we will get her back."



ALSACE LORRAINE

This map shows the provinces that France lost to Prussia in '70 It is no secret that neither France nor Germany believes that Sedan was the end of the tussle. Germany insists that she wants peace, and would probably keep it if France would let her But France has been breathing fire and vengeance ever since '70, and Germany has been strengthening her fortifications along the Alsace-Lorraine frontier Exceeding care is taken that no French soldier, artist or spy shall get inside these works and by any means get a sketch of them for the Paris government.

As to France France has been steadily increasing her army ever since Sedan. War credits are voted year by year, and small fights in Africa and elsewhere seem to be encouraged rather than otherwise, in order that the French soldiers might keep their hand in. France has made no bones about the increased size and efficiency of her army A member of the cabinet recently said in session of the senate that, if it came to the test, it would be found that "no time had been wasted in the last fifteen years" by the military The past year France has spent more than $17,000,000 on her army and defenses. Ballooning, torpedo experimenting and sea fighting, offensive and defensive, have occupied closely the attention of the government. It was France that made the military balloon effective 'Un ballon captif" was among the features of French military operations in the Chinese war Its highest efficiency has only been reached since the Franco-Prussian war

A glance at the diagram given herewith will show the comparative size of the armies of France and Germany The figures show the two armies on a peace footing—"pied de paix' The peace footing of the armies of Europe means that they are like two dogs held back in leash, waiting to fly at each other s throats America is lucky to be separated by an ocean 3,000 miles wide from Europe with her armies on a peace footing

The diagram will show that in every branch of military service except infantry, the army of France is greater than that of Germany This Bismarck and Von Moltke knew well when they urged the legislative body of the empire to increase the German army

'France,' said Bismarck, "is a strong and well armed power, her army is brave and ready to fight"

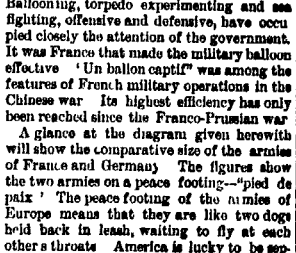


DIAGRAM.

The French cavalry outnumbers that of her great rival by over 10,000 men Her artillery corps is 25 000 larger and even the French engineer corps is more than 1,000 greater In the arms of the service brought together under the head 'Miscellaneous the difference is more than 25,700 in favor of France In the single branch of infantry there is a petty 1,558 preponderance on the side of Germany All told, the French army exceeds that of Germany by nearly 50,000

And yet the battle is not always given to the greatest number It is quite likely, it is probable even, that Germany would whip France again in a square, standup fight. French soldiers are brave as lions No man ever yet charged a son of France with cowardice Her army would fight with the impetuosity of the old guard at Waterloo But Frenchmen have not that quality of hang on which characterizes the Germans.

Then, alas there are those who say that the modern Frenchman is a degenerate descendant of those French soldiers who captured Alsace from the Germans in the first place They say that brandy absinthe and debauchery are eating out the manhood of France Rugged strength and steadiness seem failing the men, they say, leaving only fury and noise.

S. V White, the Wall street speculator has posted in his private office this notice I am not a deacon"

SPORTING AND ATHLETIC

John Reagan and Fred Woods fought an eight round draw at Boston Thursday night

Lew Donovan, who jumped from the Brooklyn and Niagara bridges, has been appointed a lieutenant in the volunteer life saving corps.

Seventy nine horses got into the 2 30 pacing list during the year just passed. Of these, ten succeeded in going in better time than 2 30

George H Hosmer, the famous oarsman, recently defeated H G Clark and Thomas Meehan in a ten mile walking match Clark relieved Meehan at the end of five miles.

Johnny Farrell, of whom his admirers expect great things, will meet Ike Weir, the Belfast Spider," in a skin glove fight to a finish near Boston or New York on or about Jan 29.

George Godfrey, the colored heavy weight, wants to meet any of the pugilists in his class, Kilrain, McCaffrey or Lannon preferred Tom Kelly will probably be matched against him

Jem Smith, the English pugilist, is announced to sail from England for America on the 29th inst. for the purpose of enjoying the distinction of being whipped by John L. Sullivan He will be accommodated

George D Noremac (Cameron), Gus Guerrero and Hughes, the 'Lepper," are among those entered for the seventy two hours—twelve hours per day—go as you please race which begins at Easton, Pa., Feb 24

Duncan C Ross has issued a challenge to any man in the world for a mounted broad sword contest Ross will shortly make a tour of the European countries, and will meet all of the famous broadsword horsemen of the various capitals.

Jake Kilrain, the "Old Reliable," is credited with having said that the man who can make a stand off with Sullivan for ten rounds can whip him But whence does Jake get his information? No one yet has managed to stay ten rounds with the big casino

Thomas W Malone, the Australian sprinter, has completely broken down, and got third place only in a recent race. Myers and Hutchens will accordingly have to arrange races with one another if they wish to make any money in the Antipodes.

Owney Barnes, the ex-champion feather-weight pugilist, has issued a challenge to Tommy Danforth to fight to a finish for a purse of $500 If Danforth refuses to avail himself of this offer the challenge is open to any man in the world under 122 pounds.

Already the tipsters are beginning to name the winner of the Surburban handicap, which will not be run for several months and for which the weights have not even been announced. The horses whose names are most frequently mentioned are Tremont and The Bard

The lot of the baseball pitcher next season will be most emphatically not a happy one. He will now have to guard against three costly errors Giving the batter his base on balls, striking the batter and making a balk It requires very little under the new rules to constitute a balk

Axel Paulsen, of Christiania, Norway, the champion skater of the world, was defeated a short time ago by a boy who up to that time was not known to possess any great speed. He beat Paulsen so easily that he will be brought to this country to race McCormick, of St. John, N B.

The next victim of John L. Sullivan's sledge hammer blows after Cardiff will be Pat Killen Killen is without doubt, one of the best men in the country, although Duncan C Ross claims that Mervine Thompson, the "Cleveland Thunderbolt," knocked him completely out of time in a barn in Ohio a couple of months ago

THE MECHANICAL ARTS

Prof Ordway recommends that pipes exposed to freezing be covered with glazed cotton batting

A Chicago merchant has his windows rubbed twice a week with cloth dipped in glycerine which keeps them clear and free from frost, while those of his neighbors are coated.

Some idea of the wonderful progress now being made in microscopical science may be formed by the fact, as stated by the president of the British association lately, that results are now attained in this line which mathematicians five years ago declared to be impossible

A new revolver has been patented which is expected to be productive of fewer accidents than its predecessors. Its main feature is a concealed hammer, inclosed in a lock frame, which cannot be unintentionally manipulated The trigger is so arranged that it cannot be pulled unless a safety lever in the rear of the lock frame is first pressed

Although the production of lead pipe has commonly been regarded of quite modern origin, there appears to be evidence that the Romans were acquainted with the article, without however, possessing the appliances for fabricating anything of large dimensions or sufficiently strong to withstand pressure from the fountain head In the Cherchel museum is a piece of lead piping made by rolling a sheet of metal, turning the edges over, and then running molten lead along the joints

ABOUT THIMBLES

The best thimbles are made in France

The thimble was first used on the thumb and was called the thumb bell.

The first thimble ever seen in England was made in London nearly 200 years ago.

A lady in Boston has a thimble from the elm at Cambridge under which Washington stood when in 1775 he took the oath as commander in-chief

The queen of Siam has a thimble made of gold in the form of a lotus bud, the lotus being the royal flower It is thickly studded with diamonds so arranged as to form her name and the date of her marriage.

Ladies in China are very dainty about their thimbles Some are carved from large pearls banded with fine gold, on which are engraved all sorts of fantastic figures, the etchings of which serve to catch the needle.

MEN OF LETTERS

Jules Verne, the famous novelist, is now 58 years old He has almost wholly recovered from the shot fired by his crazy nephew

J T Trowbridge, the writer of juvenile stories, is having a cottage built at Kennebunkport, Me, and will live there in the future.

Mark Twain says he will never start a newspaper as long as he can buy three for less money than it costs to have his boots blacked

David Christie Murray, the English novelist is at work again in London. For years he had been producing the equivalent of four three volume novels annually, until he broke down last summer and was obliged to take a rest.

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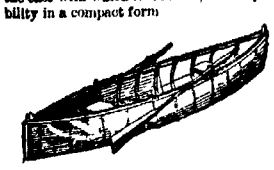
SCIENCE AND PROGRESS.

ORCHIDS THAT POSSESS PECULIAR FASCINATIONS

The Principle of an Injector Applied to a Grain Elevator—A Folding Canvas Boat Especially Adapted to the Requirements of Sportsmen

The attention of sportsmen is being attracted to a folding canvas boat the invention of N A. Osgood Battle Creek Mich The claims made for it are its lightness, stanchness, the impossibility of tipping it over by rocking, the ease with which it is rowed, and its portability in a compact form



FOLDING CANVAS BOAT.

The first cut given represents a 12 foot boat The weight of the boat, for trout fishing, with stretcher, side boards and paddle, is 25 pounds, with stretcher, side boards, gunwale and paddle, 32 pounds, with stretcher, side boards, gunwale, stools and oars, 40 pounds It is also made up in a 50 pound weight, so that in reality it comprises four boats of different weight in one

THE BOAT IN COMPACT FORM

The second cut shows the packing chest, 38 inches long by 17 wide and 18 deep, together with the folded canvas bottom board, gunwale, stretcher and camp stools. The oars and paddles, being jointed, are also packed with the boat in the chest.

A New Grain Elevator.

An Illinois genius has succeeded in applying the principle of the injector to a grain elevator Science gives the following description of this new invention The grain is run from the car to a revolving hopper, through an aperture in the bottom of which is forced a powerful blast of air, which carries the grain at a certain distance up a horizontal tube At intervals in this tube are bends, or horizontal curves, forming relays. These relays act as auxiliary hoppers, a fresh blast of air being admitted at each one, which carries the grain to the next higher relay In this way the grain may be raised to any desired height. A modification of this device is arranged to raise grain from the hold of a ship or boat

Orchid Culture in America.

It is only of late years that the great family of orchids, with its members represented in nearly if not quite all the temperate and tropical countries of the world, has been familiarly known to the flower growers and flower lovers of the United States The first orchid exhibited in this country of which we have any record was *Oncidium flexuosum*, still a favorite and good orchid. This was shown by the late Marshall P Wilder before the Massachusetts Horticultural society in 1827 The most rapid growth of the orchid fever has been within the past ten years, during which time both nurserymen and orchid culturists have brought to light many remarkable and hitherto unknown species.

AN INSECT EATING ORCHID

Although the increase of trade collections in this country has been large, it has not been in proportion to the collections for pleasure. First among the private collections is that of Erastus Corning, at Albany N Y Jay Gould's collection at Irvington, N Y, is a large one, numbering 2 200 plants and 287 varieties.

The expenditures made by collectors from time to time for unique specimens of orchids, proves the fascinating character of this family of plants. The late Mrs. Morgan undoubtedly paid higher prices for orchids than any other buyer in this or any other country An example of her prodigality in this direction was the sum of $8,000 paid for a single plant of Vanda Sanderiana.

Attention has been attracted of late to the slipper orchid, one of the insect eating plants. As will be seen in the cut, a flap covers the plant, while an intoxicating liquid is accumulated in the body of the plant, and which, after it has set the insects drunk, acts as a decomposer It is a curious fact, not at all accounted for by any of the floriculturists, that every orchid has a striking resemblance to the human face.

Numbered with new orchids introduced since 1875, are Vanda Sanderiana, Odontoglossum cirrhosum, Bollea coelestis, Aerides crassifolium, A Lawrenceæ, A Sanderianum, Cypripedium Lawrenceanum, C Spicerianum Cattleya Lawrenceana Cymbidium, Lowianum, Dendrobium superbiens and hosts of new Maadevallias (a genus by the way, which in 1830 was thought to have but three species) have been discovered, besides unlimited numbers of varieties of species, like Odontoglossum crispum Cattelya Trianæ, etc.

The Violane du Cap

A stone of deep violet color with a hardness and resistance like that of rock crystal has been evolved by certain French chemists by fusing the simple elements alumina magnesia and silica existing in some mineral whose identity is not revealed The stone takes on a high polish and is easily cut. Its natural tint is a strong translucent purple deeper than that of amethyst The gem is unique in that this normal shade changes under gas or other artificial light to the powerful crimson of a ruby The violane du cap as the new stone is called is not yet extensively known but specimens of it have attracted attention and interest among both jewelers and savants The use of this gem will probably be among the minor decorative arts where it will give the effect of the more costly stones Analysis of the stone shows Alumina 64 20 magnesia 31 silica, 2, iron and manganese, 80 loss 2

ALL AROUND THE HOUSE.

Up Stairs, Down Stairs, in Kitchen and in the Lady's Parlor.

The color of oak is a pleasant, and at the present time fashionable, one for bedchamber woodwork and furniture In north rooms terra cotta paint of an old pink shade will be found attractive while in south rooms olive green of a dark and golden shade is desirable. Cherry is still much employed in the making of bedroom suits Happily as to bedsteads, these are no longer constructed so as to occupy all available space Lightsome elegance is especially characteristic of those of brass, with simple ornamentation in top rods and foot rails, and circular or semi-oval frame canopy

A boudoir table or dressing table may be brought into small compass by having extension slides to right and left, or panels folding in and opening out on hinges. A looking glass in separate frame and resting on the floor takes up little space and is a suitable accompaniment to such tables

Sheets and Pillow Cases.

All grades of linen, also cotton sheeting have pillow and bolster case materials to match in quality In making sheets says The Decorator and Furnisher, it is well to allow a little more than the regular two and one-half yards in length. Most of the best housekeepers add to this from one-fourth to three-eighths of a yard, this being often the length after the hems are done. Two and three fourths yards for a finished sheet is generally sufficient unless the bedstead is extra size The linen should never be cut straight across the piece It is frequently the case that the crease is drawn altogether out of regular lines during the process of calendering and putting up and to cut across the fold as the dealer cuts it from the piece is often to waste three or four inches in the straightening, which all judicious housewives will look after In the purchase of a single pair of sheets allowance must be made for this irregularity else the finished articles will be too short

Pillow cases are plainly hemmed or hem stitched according to fancy The best authorities claim that pillow cases should be of finer quality than sheets, and perfectly plain, whatever ornamentation is desired being put upon shams, which are in quite general use There is good sense in this, as all embroidery or ornamentation may be very annoying to many people whose slumbers are disturbed by very trifling discomforts. Fine linen, with hem embroidery and an initial, is an approved style

Care ought to be observed in the laundering of linen All articles should be taken from the line while yet damp, thoroughly shaken and pulled straightway of the goods, rolled up in damp cloths and ironed until perfectly dry The irons should be quite hot, but carefully tempered, as linen is more easily scorched than cotton and once browned its durability is destroyed

Striking Wares in Pottery.

Another ware in pottery has emanated from Cincinnati, which is already well known for its artistic productions in this line. The new pottery is brilliant with gilt enamel decoration Though very gay, the effect is in good taste and a vase or other article of this ware brightens up a gloomy corner of a room most agreeably Diagonal bands of rough gold and blue, with gold decoration in enamel, are among attractive designs shown. Hardly anything more brilliant, and at the same time pleasing, can be found in crumb trays and brushes than those of gilt bronze decorated in colored enamels and mounted with turquoises and carbuncles.

Sunflower Lamp Shade.

A pretty and useful little article in the way of fancy tissue paper work is a shade in form of a sunflower, for a lamp not otherwise screened Cut petals five inches long, two inches wide and tapering to a point, crinkle them up on a knitting needle and gum in thick, overlapping rows upon a round piece of cardboard Fill the center with yellow and black fringed cut paper Fasten to the cardboard a wire bent over so as to hook on to the globe, and cover the back of the cardboard neatly by pasting on paper

Jumbles

If you have yelks of eggs left from making macaroons or other dainties they may be utilized for jumbles as follows Make three-quarters of a pound of butter and the same quantity of powdered sugar, the yelks of six eggs, half a wineglassful of sherry or brandy, half a wineglassful of rose water and a pound of warm, dry, fine flour into a firm paste Roll the paste into firm balls between the palms, roll in sugar and lay two inches apart on a dripping pan Bake about twenty minutes in a quick oven These jumbles keep well

Cooking Utensils

Granite ware as now made, furnishes a safe and at the same time admirable material for nearly every article used in the kitchen Granite cooking vessels are decidedly preferable to tin, or even porcelain lined pans and skillets being much easier to clean, and then the food is not so liable to stick and burn Have no more heavy cast iron articles than are really needed they are inconvenient to handle, hard to clean Use Sapolio for cleaning all tin ware.

Plain Fruit Cake

For a plain but palatable fruit cake take one cupful of sugar, one half cupful of molasses, one cupful of buttermilk or sour milk, two and a half cupfuls of flour one cupful of chopped raisins a half cupful of currants, two tablespoonfuls of butter, a teaspoonful of soda in the milk or flour, and half a teaspoonful each of cloves cinnamon and nutmeg This will bake in about forty minutes in a moderate oven

A Convenient Needle Case

A convenient needle case is one made of different shades of olive felt, mingled with red and olive cut into the form of autumn leaves The ornamentation consists of feather stitch in colored silks simulating the veining of the natural leaf The leaves are grouped in a pretty cluster, fastened with a bow of ribbon and pinned upon curtain or doorhanging

Household Facts and Fancies

Ornamental leather cutting is another old time household industry revived Leather leaves flowers and fruits are to be used in ornamenting brackets cornices shelves and frames

It is better that ones house be too little on a day than too big all the year

The Gurney system of hot water heating is rapidly coming into favor The heat radiated from hot water pipes is more agreeable to many persons than that from a hot air furnace and the temperature it is said is regulated more easily than when steam is used

Some of the new side boards have been made of lesser width than heretofore rendering them more suitable for moderate sized rooms and in better harmony with furniture that is less massive in style

If you have hired help go all over your house every morning, from garret to cellar, to see that everything is in order and nothing wasted left dusty or neglected.

WHAT SHALL WE WEAR?

POPULAR JACKET FOR BOY FROM 4 TO 14 YEARS OLD

Reception and Evening Toilets With Long, Graceful Draperies — Paris and New York Styles in Hats—Becoming Bonnets and Toboggan Caps for Girls.

A becoming hat is a matter of concern to every one but there is probably more time expended in making suitable selections for little girls than even for the mothers themselves. With a view to assisting in this selection, is here given an illustration of one of the leading caps or bonnets worn by city girls of from 1 to 3 years of age

MILLINERY FOR GIRLS

The bonnet represented in the cut is made of plain, soft silk of garnet color, with a wadded lining It is finished with a very full ruching of lace all around the cap The trimmings consist of a ribbon bow and strings This cap may be readily made at home, and when plush is preferred it can be substituted for the silk

The second figure shows a new style in worsted caps, named "Toboggan," and especially designed for coasting and school wear This makes a very comfortable headdress for winter, and may be worn by little girls and misses. These toboggan caps, when made in solid colors such as cardinal, garnet and blue, are usually becoming as well as comfortable.

Winter Fashions in a Nutshell.

To sum up briefly the striking features of the winter fashions, it may be said that for the street the dress is simple, almost severe, usually a tailor dress of dark wool, without trimming For the carriage much more of luxury is allowed. Rich stuffs, plush wraps, or wraps of Genoa velvet, with tinted flowers, costly furs—in a word, almost everything that is rich and elegant. For receiving one's friends at home, fashion permits the most delicate colors, in despite of storm and snow outside Feathery laces, glittering passementeries, all that can arrest the eye or charm the imagination, are at the service of the hostess. The same is true of her evening dress, except that then she uncovers her shoulders and arms, decks herself with precious stones and trails behind her a mass of beautiful stuffs and billows of old lace—such lace, alas! as is no longer made, and for which we refuse to be consoled by any quantity of the democratic imitations at a franc or two the yard —Harper's Bazar

Wrappers and Morning Dresses.

Stripes predominate in materials for negligee dresses for morning wear The fine twilled French flannels that are in special favor for the purpose come in alternate solid stripes of contrasting colors, from one-fourth to three-fourths of an inch in width. Domestic flannels, in stripes, checks, and even quite large plaids, find favor, and the jersey and elder flannels are still used, the latter, however, being preferred in solid colors. The princess or Gabrielle is the favorite style of wrapper. A half fitting princess front, with close fitting back, provides an attractive morning dress.

Reception and Evening Toilets.

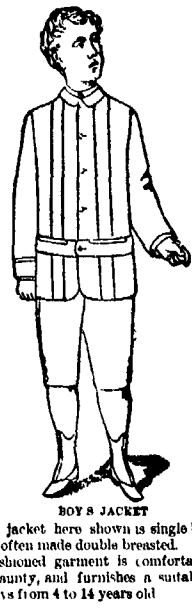
There is a notable absence of short draperies in the more elegant toilets, long, sweeping lines being preferred Delicate shades have the place of honor for evening wear, and dark with brilliant colors for dinner and day reception dresses Young ladies have their dancing dresses made with walking length skirts and very long draperies. Square necks and half long sleeves are popular, and may be trimmed with lace and passementerie or tulle and beads.

New Fancies in Furs.

A novelty for children consists of a muff of white goat skin It is decidedly attractive in appearance and affords a pleasing change. A Paris fancy, seen in the shops here, is a muff of silver fox, trimmed with silver tassels, that are ornamented with jeweled buttons. A stylish fur collar, christened "colo officer," is of natural castor, and is lined with scarlet silk Lynx furnishes a popular trimming for cloth dresses

Boy's Norfolk Jacket.

Among the many attractive styles in which jackets are made perhaps none is more popular among New York boys than the regular Norfolk jacket represented in the cut.



BOY'S JACKET

The jacket here shown is single breasted, but is often made double breasted. This simply fashioned garment is comfortable, trim and jaunty, and furnishes a suitable model for boys from 4 to 14 years old

Lace trimmed handkerchiefs are again coming into favor

A costume made entirely of sealskin, a gored skirt fastened at the left side under large ornaments, and a short, tight fitting jacket, with double breasted fronts and a pointed back is among the furriers novelties.

According to Harpers' Bazaar, Chinese silk embroidered shawls of very small size are used as mufflers by ladies under large cloaks with evening toilets. They are generally white and may be had in three sizes, with the embroidery done in Chinese fashion alike on both sides and with fringe tied and knotted in the hem

GOOD HEALTH.

Some Useful Suggestions About How to Get and Keep It.

Dr Brown Sequard, in a paper on 'Catching Cold and its Prevention," includes under the name cold various acute inflammations attacking the nasal, pharyngeal, laryngeal, tracheal or bronchial mucous membranes. The neck and feet are considered to be the specially sensitive parts. To prevent cold one has to harden these areas. This is done by each day blowing a stream of cold air by means of a bellows or elastic bag upon the neck, and immersing the feet in cold water The air is at first only slightly cold, but is each day made colder until the neck can stand an excessive degree

The water in which the feet are immersed is also made colder daily, starting with 90 degs. F and gradually reducing to 38 degs. F

Hints for the Schoolroom.

Freedom of position and frequent change is of great importance for children. School children, when obliged to stand for any length of time, should not be required to place their feet close together, for this gives so small a base of support that increased effort is necessary to maintain the equilibrium of the body If they are required to sit with the body perfectly erect and face squarely to the front, it should be only for short intervals of time. The muscles become easily fatigued and one set should not be kept upon a strain for a long period Desks that are too low give children the habit of stooping at their work, and are a fruitful source of round shoulders.

Prevention of Wrinkles.

A well known authority on skin diseases, advises, for the prevention of wrinkles and "black heads," the following simple remedy To one quart of good whisky add four tablespoonfuls of borax. Bathe the face each morning in a pint of tepid water, to which has been added about one gill of this whisky and borax preparation When the patient inclines to pimples and the troublesome "black heads," it is further recommended that all sweets, pastries and greasy foods be avoided, the diet having much influence in all matters pertaining to the skin and complexion

Using Teeth for Scissors.

Many ladies have the habit, when sewing, of biting off threads instead of cutting them with scissors. For either natural or artificial teeth this is bad and soon necessitates repairs. The edge of the teeth becomes very rough by the breaking of the enamel when thread is bitten off many times at the same place on the tooth, as is liable to be the case, for all the muscular force exerted by the jaws is centered upon the small space measured by the width of a thread.

Remedies for Burns.

Remedies for burns are many and it is well that this is so, for if one is not at hand another may be Vaseline, linseed or sweet oil or warm mutton tallow are applied to the burn and powdered corn starch or wheat flour dusted over and soft linen or cotton cloth wrapped around Air must be kept from a burn, and the oil and flour do this as well as form a healing salve. One part carbolic acid to eight parts olive oil is said to be one of the best of remedies for burns and scalds. Linen rags are saturated with the lotion, they are then spread smoothly over the burned part and covered with oil silk or gutta percha tissue to exclude the air

Soothing Drops.

Physicians everywhere and of both schools are laying great stress on the good there is in drinking milk, rather than coffee or tea, for young and old.

Peach leaves pounded to a pulp and applied to a bruise or cut have been recommended as giving prompt relief

A medical journal says that in carrying children in the arms care should be taken not to carry them habitually on the same side, as this tends to make them one-sided.

ETIQUETTE.

Manners and Social Usages Practiced in Polite Society.

As for the etiquette of the dinner table, says Harper's Bazar, that is very much the same the world over, and among republicans has not changed for many years. The host goes in first with the most honored lady, the hostess brings up the rear with the most honored gentleman As a party of eight is a very inconvenient party to seat, the host and hostess now abjure the head and foot of the table, and seat themselves indiscriminately, putting a gentleman next a lady, etc.

The menu of a dinner, according to the same authority, should be neither prodigal nor mean, foolish or unseasonable. At a large dinner a printed, highly ornamented menu is put before each guest. At a small dinner a menu would be pretentious. Although the usual fashionable and easiest manner of serving a dinner is a la Russe, at small and friendly dinners the host usually prefers to do the carving, in which case a servant ought to be ready with hot plates to receive the meats as soon as carved, and begin by serving the lady at the host's right hand

Wedding Gifts.

A wedding present is generally packed where it is bought and sent with the giver's card from the store to the bride directly She ought always to acknowledge its arrival by a personal note. Gifts which owe their value to the personal taste or industry of the friend who sends, are particularly complimentary

No friend should be deterred from sending a small present, one not representing a money value, because other and richer folk can send more expensive ones As for showing the wedding gifts, that is a thing which must be left to individual taste Some people disapprove of it and consider it ostentatious, while others devote a large room to the display of presents, and it is certainly amusing to examine them

The Word "Esquire"

In addressing letters the use of the word "Esquire" seems to have been gradually dying out. Yet it dies hard Perhaps a tenth of all the letters addressed to men to-day bear this superfluity Why a word which has no more to do with an American citizen than the word baronet should continue to be used in this way is difficult to tell It crept into use when it had a meaning Since that time it has been slowly creeping out. The prefix Mr, or Mrs, or Miss indicates something of the sex and condition of the person to whom the letter is addressed and seems preferable in America

Points and Pointers

Opera hats have gone out of fashion

A first call from a new acquaintance should be speedily returned

Diamonds are never worn conspicuously by gentlemen

An unmarried lady's name ought not to appear on any card for a reception without that of her mother or some married woman's accompanying it

Society under no circumstances ever countenance a dress suit in day time. A gentleman may remove his gloves when entering a place of amusement if he so desires.

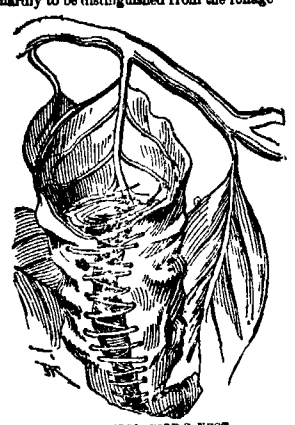
YOUNG FOLKS' COLUMN.

A NOTABLE ENGLISH GARDEN AFFORDS A PLEASING PUZZLE.

The Marquis of Kildare and a Monkey Hero—How the Tailor Bird Sews Its Nest Together With Long, Stout Fiber.

The art of sewing we would certainly suppose to be of man's invention. But not so, before his appearance needle and thread joined two objects together We find that he has only followed in the footsteps of a little animal called the sylvia sutoria or tailor bird. The wonderful skill, patience and loving instinct that birds show in constructing nests for their young is also very apparent in this remarkable bird

A native of India, the tailor bird builds in the trees, pendant from a young branch, an airy nest that sways with the breeze, light, graceful and safe from harm, because it is hardly to be distinguished from the foliage



THE TAILOR BIRD'S NEST

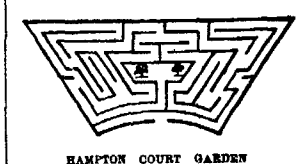
As may be seen in the cut, the tailor bird chooses a leaf of suitable size, on each edge of which it pierces a row of holes with its beak, as a shoemaker might do with his awl Then the bird strips off from some plant a long, stout fiber, which it passes back and forth through the holes, drawing the edges of the leaf toward each other until it forms a sort of inverted hollow cone Now it seeks among the plants a soft white down, with which it lines the leafy hollow Surely few nestlings see the light in such a dainty, warm and elegant home as the little tailors! The old tailor bird is not chary of work, for it often builds the nest with two leaves and sews up two seams instead of one.

A Marquis and a Monkey.

The following story of a monkey hero is vouched for by good authority It runs in this wise A large orang-outang, which is the largest species of monkey except the gorilla, was very much attached to his master and to the baby boy who was the pet of the whole family One day a fire suddenly broke out in the house, and everybody was running here and there to put it out, while the little boy in his nursery was almost forgotten, and when they thought of him the staircase was all in flames. What could be done? As they were looking up and wondering a large, hairy hand and arm opened the window, and presently the monkey appeared with the baby in his arms, and carefully climbed down over the porch and brought the child safely to his nurse. Nobody else could have done it, for a man cannot climb like a monkey and is not nearly so strong You may imagine how the faithful creature was praised and petted after that. This is a true story, and the child who was saved was the young Marquis of Kildare.

A Labyrinthine Puzzle.

This maze is a correct ground plan of one of the gardens of the palace of Hampton court, on the Thames river, England, and furnishes a pleasing puzzle for our young folks, in addition to giving them an inside view of a notable garden



HAMPTON COURT GARDEN

No legendary tale is attached to it, of which we are aware, but its labyrinthine walks occasion much amusement to the numerous holiday parties who frequent the palace grounds. The partitions between the walks are hedges of clipped hornbeam, and are about five feet in height. The puzzle is to get into the center, where seats are placed under two lofty trees, and many are the disappointments experienced before the end is attained, and even then the trouble is not over, it being quite as difficult to get out as to get in. It is suggested to our readers that, following the paths with the point of a pencil, they endeavor to trace their way to the center and back again to the entrance.

A Cat Adopts Baby Rats.

Joseph Messenger, a well known farmer, who enjoys a reputation for truthfulness, credits the following story told of his cat, which is famous in the neighborhood where he resides for her record as a successful ratter and mouser A few days ago, as Mr Messenger entered his barn, he saw a big rat jump out of a barrel and scamper away The farmer looked in the barrel and saw six young rats which were unable to get out. He went and brought his famous rat killing cat and put her in the barrel as the quickest way of ridding the premises of the six incipient pests. To his great surprise she did not make short shrift of them, but on the contrary took the rat family under her protection and treated them with as much consideration and affection as though they had been a litter of her own.

The news of this remarkable whim on the part of the Messenger rat destroyer soon spread to the neighbors, and they flocked to the barn to see the curious spectacle The constant appearance of strangers at the barrel evidently alarmed the cat for the safety of her proteges, for she began to carry them in her mouth, as she might her kittens, to a place of greater exclusion and safety At this point the farmer drew the line, and slaughtered the cats family of ratlings, much to her apparent grief

Instructive Optical Trick.

A pleasing optical game may be performed by giving a ring to some person, or putting it at a little distance, in such a position that the plane of it shall be turned toward his face, and then desire this person to shut one of his eyes and endeavor to push a crooked stick through the ring To his surprise he will seldom if ever succeed The reason of the failures is evident, being unaccustomed to use one eye only, he cannot judge of the distance correctly, and, of course, errs, but a person having only one eye would not fail of achieving the trick.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Subjects of Widespread Interest to Sharp Wits.

Can you state how far back Queen Victoria can trace her ancestry? R O E

Queen Victoria can trace her ancestry back to Ecgberht, the first king of England, about the year 828 She traces her pedigree in this way She is the daughter of the Duke of Kent, fourth son of George III, who descended from the first George and the Electress Sophia, the latter being the daughter of James I of England, who was son of Mary Queen of Scots Mary descended through James V of Scotland from Henry VII of England. Both Henry VII and his wife, Elizabeth, could trace descent from Edward III, Elizabeth being the daughter of Edward IV The line is direct from this point to William the Conqueror In William we reach Queen Victoria's descent from the Celtic kings of Scotland, and may trace it back to Achains in 787 Henry I, son of the Conqueror, married Matilda of Scotland, the daughter of King Malcolm Canmore. Through their union Victoria may trace her ancestry through the Saxon kings—through Alfred the Great to his grandfather, Ecgberht, the first English king

Who Sent Stanley to Africa?

Will you please state how it happened that Mr Henry M Stanley went to Africa in search of Dr Livingstone? C W W

Mr Henry M Stanley was, by profession, a newspaper correspondent Mr James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of The New York Herald, sent him to Africa to look for Dr. Livingstone in 1869, from whom no authentic information had been received for ten years, and who was very generally supposed to be dead Stanley reached Zanzibar, on the east coast of Africa, in the spring of 1872, and set out for the interior with 192 men. In November he found Livingstone near Lake Tanganyika. He endeavored to induce Livingstone to return with him to England, but did not succeed, and Stanley furnished him with supplies for further explorations. Living stone died in April, 1873

After Livingstone's death Stanley was again sent to Africa at the joint expense of The New York Herald and London Telegraph He reached Lake Victoria, Nyanza in February, 1875 In April he continued his explorations along the Congo river, reaching its mouth in August, 1877 His object now is to open up the Congo country to commerce.

The Young English Poet.

Can you give me the name of the youngest English classic poet? M F

Thomas Chatterton He was born in 1753 and died in 1770, being 18 years old at death At 11 years of age he wrote verse that has become classic

Wedding Anniversaries.

Will you please inform me how many years after marriage wooden tin, crystal and other like weddings are celebrated? D

The wooden wedding comes five years after marriage the tin, ten years, the crystal, fifteen years, the china, twenty years, silver, twenty five years, golden, fifty years, diamond, seventy five years.

The Central Point of Population.

What is the central point of the population of the United States? In what direction is it moving? B

The center of population was determined after taking the census of 1880 by mathematical calculation it was found to be eight miles southeast of the center of Cincinnati, and a half a mile southeast of the village of Taylorsville, or at latitude 39 degrees, 4 minutes and 8 seconds, longitude 84 degrees, 39 minutes and 40 seconds.

In 1790 the center of population was twenty three miles east of Baltimore. Its rate of westward motion, as shown by the decade from 1870 to 1880 is about six miles per year, but it is probably now greater than that

Farm Wages Two Hundred Years Ago.

Can you give any statement of the wages paid farm hands in England say 200 years ago? FARMER.

In the middle of the Seventeenth century the daily rates of wages were determined by the justices of the county of Somerset From these rates it appears that mowers (finding themselves) received one shilling and two pence with meat and drink, seven pence. Haymakers (finding themselves), ten pence with meat and drink, six pence Women haymakers, seven pence, with meat and drink, ten pence Corn reapers, not found, one shilling and two pence, found, eight pence For mowing an acre of grass, not found, one shilling and two pence Reaping and binding an acre of wheat, three shillings. The shilling is twenty four cents, the penny two cents.

"Uncle Sam."

Please state how the term Uncle Sam came to be applied to the United States government? L.

It is questionable whether the true origin of such terms is often preserved. It is said that during the revolutionary war there was a beef inspector in Troy, N Y, who was familiarly called by the men in his employ Uncle Sam. The boxes containing the provisions were shipped to a contractor named Elbert Anderson and marked E A, U S A workman being asked what the letters U S meant, replied that they meant 'Uncle Sam" The joke spread, and hence the common application of the term to the United States government

The Anvil Chorus.

Who composed the music of the 'Anvil Chorus and when and where was it given with artillery to represent the anvils? D V

The "Anvil Chorus" is found in Verdi's opera of "Il Trovatore," or "The Troubadour At the great peace jubilee (held in honor of the cessation of civil war in the United States), in Boston in June, 1869, the "Anvil Chorus" was given by P S Gilmore's great band of 1,000 pieces A hundred anvils were struck in time by a hundred firemen, and a battery of artillery outside the music hall was fired by electricity at the same time as the striking on the anvils. The effect was described as grand.

"Dead Head."

Will you please give the origin of the use of the letters D H, for 'dead head' or free of charge? A M.

It is said that the use of these letters came about in this way Chicago once had a mayor named D H Colvin, for many years agent for the United States Express company While holding this position, articles sent to him were delivered free, and such packages were spoken of as D H, or free of charge. This soon came to be the method of directing any package sent free of charge The packages were known as "dead matter," hence D H came to be called dead head

Beginning of Winter.

When does winter begin and when does it end? I have always understood the months of December January and February to comprise the winter period Am I correct? X.

These are called the winter months, but astronomically speaking, winter begins with the winter solstice about Dec 21, and ends with the vernal equinox, between March 21 and 22.

The First Union General Killed.

Can you give the name of the first Union general who fell in the war of the rebellion? E S. G.

Gen Nathaniel Lyon, killed, in Missouri, Aug 10, 1861

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LOCAL NEWS.

—Rink will open Saturday night Good usic

—Mrs J C Johnston left Thursday to visit latives in Toledo

—The rink will be open Saturday night. usic by Huber band

—Attorney W Z Davis attended court Bucyrus Wednesday

—Mis Sol Wiser has gone to Burbank, O, make a visit among relatives

—Mrs Smavles has changed her residence om south East street to Pearl street.

—Mrs Thos Mitchel, of Galion, was the uest of relatives in this city Thursday

—Harry Breen has been released from il under a $200 bond signed by John Ter- el

—Mrs B Hall returned to Ft. Wayne, I Thursday after a three months' stay in rion

—Little Marguerite Johnston, daughter Mr and Mrs O W Johnston, of Morral, improving nicely

—The County Commissioners established Ringor ditch in Richland township Fri y and ordered the work sold

—George Hinchman was appointed guard- n of the property of Conrad Drollinger, the probate court, Thursday

—A bill has been introduced in the Legis- ture which requires steam Engines, when ving on highways, to stop before meet g teams

—The Young Men s Garfield club has en tituted for the rental of the third story f McMurray s new block in which to make r headquarters

—Ed Underwood, the popular grocery lerk is back to his old position at Mezger s, aving recovered his health during his ab- ence ffom the city

—Treasurer Dickson is quoted as saying hat the tax delinquency is much less for he past collection than is usual, which is urely in encouraging fact.

—Mrs H B Whitby is ill at her father s ome in Mt Gilead During her absence fr Whitby has changed their residence rom High street to north Main

—D C Kenyon, the west Center street oot and shoe man, is packing up his stock n preparatory to removing to Mt. Victory, here he will engage in business

—The first meeting of the Marion county oard of school examiners for this year will e held on Saturday, February 12th, in their oom in the court house basement

—A series of meetings will commence at he Church of Christ, on north Main street, his city, on Thursday night, February 3d A cordial invitation is extended to all

—Daniel Ledingham, who for the past ear has been running the night switch en- gine in this city, is now running on the road Adam Sacks is here in his place

—J D Gregory has purchased the Hardy roperty on West street, and will make it h a residence in the spring W L Clement will occupy the suite of rooms where Mr t gory now resides

—Mrs May Royer, of Indianapolis, and Mrs Ida Graham of Bellefontaine, who have been visiting her cousin Printie Archbold on north West street, returned h m Friday afternoon

—A deed of assignment was made Friday r Dennis R Steiner to Josephus Monnett The assignor is a tile manufacturer in Scott township and assigns only his tile mill and its appurtenances The assignee gave nd to the amount of $3000

—Railroad rumors say that all new em ployees of the B and O must sign a tem perance pledge before being engaged, and all of the employees must also sign a total ab stinance pledge Any drinking whatever will jeopardize their positions

—The officers of the Black Diamond de sire us to return their thanks to the Mayor and citizens of Marion for courtesies extend ed and to especially thank Hon J J Hane and the ladies and gentlemen who so pleas antly entertained them at the ball

—Mt Gilead Register H T Van Fleet, Esq of Marion was an early arrival at the court room Monday morning George Hochstetter came over from Marion and for a few days has been peacefully smoking his pipe in his beloved town of Mt Gilead

—At Green Camp early Friday morning, Mr Henry Brinker aged 86 years, died very suddenly The cause of his death is s pposed to be appoplexy Coronor Britt n was summoned Mr Brinker was an old resident of that place and was univers- ally respected

—Monday evening Mr Jim Garberick was an other N Y, P and O victim who lost his legs by falling under a moving train No 85 east of Galion a few miles He died Tuesday This is the second in st nce in the last three weeks Mr Gar berick leaves a wife and three children

—Colonel Boone President Meigs P G Marshall Col C Hawkins, Hon Allen Levering and W M Carlisle, all connected with the Black Diamond, attended the Bi cycle Ball at Music Hall Thursday under the escort of J J Hane, after the railroad meeting The gentlemen joined in the dance and were favored with an exclusive Black Diamond quadrille

—Albany Union Abbey s famous Un cle Toms Cabin troupe—double company—will perform at the Leland Opera House on Monday and Tuesday evenings of next week Two Topsys, two lawyers, and the best Eva ever seen in Albany The troupe plays in Saratoga on Monday evening. House packed Standing room only Per formed in Cohoes on Saturday afternoon and evening House so crowded that they had to stop selling tickets at 8 15

—Elder W Dowling spent Thursday night with his family in this city and left for Un ion Friday He goes to Springfield O Monday where he will assist Elder Wilcox of Cleveland in a meeting returning to Marion Wednesday and then he will commence a series of meetings here on Thursday night February 3 A cordial in vitation is extended to all to come and en joy these services He says the meetings at Hepdale O continued to their close with great interest and that sixty three were turned to the Lord and many more doubt less would have been had the meetings con tinued, but that time forbade

—Miss Rebecca Minger the accomplished daughter of Dr Minger, of this city, has gone to Detroit, Mich, her former home, where she will be married on February 15th to Mr Barney Gumport, of Clarksville, Tex. The wedding will doubtless be a fine affair Immediately thereafter the bride and groom will start for their future home in Texas.

—One of the most important measures of this session of the legislature was intro- duced in the senate Saturday It is a bill, alike important to banks and special de- positors, if it becomes a law. It provides that all banks, safety deposit companies, and trust companies, shall keep a set of books wherein shall be recorded all bonds, stocks, moneys, mortgages or other securi ties taxable under the laws of Ohio, at their true value, and these books shall be acces- sible to the county auditors, and boards of equalization when in session. Any corpo- rations incorporated under the laws of Ohio, that fail to comply with this forfeits their charter

—The Lima Republican has brought to light a new kind of church sociable from the back-woods of Allen county, that has met with over whelming success wherever tried It is called a "blindfolded hugging social" On a cash payment any married male member of the congregation is per mitted to entwine his arms around a female form divine for a stated time, when the handkerchief is removed and he is per- mitted to gaze on his wife whom he has been fondly embracing Of course it is looked upon then as a losing investment, but the men like to do it all the same in hopes somebody else s wife will get in the 'hugging' chair by mistake

Agricultural Board Meeting.

The board of directors of the Marion County Agricultural society met at the so- ciety's office in the court house on Thurs- day After the old board settled up last year's business the new directors assumed office and organized by re-electing H M Ault secretary and S H Rupp treasurer

President Harvey announced his committees as follows

Executive—P Kelly, L Rebor and B K Herbster

Horse department—G W Walters and W E Davis

Cattle department—M H Monpett and J F Morrow

Sheep department—Allen Day

Hog and Poultry department—J D Guthrie and John E Waddel

Grain, Feed and Produce department—M H Rhoads and John Neff

Machinery and Implement department—John B Travis and M Waddel

Art department—D H Clifton and J A Schaff

The constitution and by laws were chang ed, and a great deal of talk was indulged in, but the changes are slight and not es- pecially important.

The Finest of the Season

Many fine balls have been given in this city, but the one given by the Bicycle Club Thursday night was the crowing effort in that line. Fully one hundred persons many of them visitors, made up the gay and festive assembly that made Music Hall a place of mirth and graceful dancing The elite of Marion were present, and the ele- gant music and gliding forms to its entranc- ing strains coupled with its general appear- ance of joy and vivacity, must have pleased the blithesome Terpsichorean Goddess

No such music and general management has been experienced by our dancers and they were perfectly delighted—they were loth to resist its charms, even at the late hour of three o'clock

Among the guests from abroad were Frank Campbell, Charley Snyder and Miss Burt, of Galion, Will Harbeson of Mans- field, Miss Hunter, of Baxter Springs, Kas Miss Hedges, of Upper Sandusky, and Messrs White, Geer, McConnell and Mer man, of Kenton

Real Estate Transfers

J W Showers to Mary F Uncapher 40 acres in Salt Rock tp, $2000

Chas Plumley to Isaac Heller, 40 acres in Grand tp, $1400

M C Tucker to B F Severns, lots 16, 17, 18 and 19 in New Bloomington, $800

Carrol S, Hardy to Annetta B Gregory, lot 136 in Marion, $2900

Louisa Krause to Winchell Manufactur ing company, lot 1395 in Marion $400

Winchell Manufacturing company to Ma rion Creamery company, same lot, $5400

Francis Gooding to Anna Salmon, 162⅔ acres in Pleasant tp, $10,000

Thomas Dodd to J C Bechtold, 1⅛ acre in LaRue corp, $225

Same to W G Lucas, 5 acres in LaRue corp, $800

Herbster & Cook to Alfred Sutley, lot 18 in Gast's addn to Prospect, $400

Agosta

Snow five inches on the level and mud six inches deep—a very blue day However, we presume it is for the best

Health generally good some few old chronic cases

A protracted meeting commenced at the M E church Saturday evening and is still continuing, Rev Thomas Campbell offici ating

Commissioner Dodds is away attending to official business and trying the mud

We are informed that the trouble with the partners in the stave factory will be settled this week We hope it will be right- ed and work commenced again, as we con sider that all interested will be losers if such is not the case

AGOSTA, Jan 26, '87 J

Return of Thanks

The Owens Debating and Literary Soci ty desire to return thanks to those who vol untarily assisted in the exercises of last Tuesday evening Through an oversight all were permitted to retire without thanks or even an invitation to come again Es- pecially do they wish to thank the attend ants from Marion and for their assistance in the entertainment The recitation by Miss Huggins was splendid and she is to be complimented on her highly cultivated voice also those rendered by Mr Idle man were highly appreciated and he has few equals The society will hold de- bates every Tuesday evening until Febru ary 22, which will again be devoted to lit erary exercises All are kindly invited

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WE ARE PLEDGED.

THE BLACK DIAMOND SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE TO BE RAISED

An Enthusiastic Meeting, With Proper Explanations; "Puts Marion Aboard" In Good Shape.—The Building of the Road is "As Sure as Death and Taxes."

Marion citizens seem to know a good thing when the proper time comes and when they see it they want it Thus it is with the Black Diamond The lethargy of our people had almost discouraged the hopeful wishes of the new railroad enthu- siasts, but all fears are now allayed. At an early hour Thursday night the City Hall was crowded by the representative citizens of Marion who had congregated to determine whether or no the proposition of the Black Diamond officials would be accepted. After cheering music by the Huber band the meeting was called to order by Hon J J Hane, who named George Crawford as chairman of the meeting and that gentleman was chosen Mr Hane was then made secretary After a brief address by the chair, stating the object of the meet- ing, Col A E Boone, the projector of the great Black Diamond system, was intro- duced.

Col. Boone made a pointed and business- like speech He said that this was the last and only call, and that the officials wanted a positive answer He explained what the system was, told the object of the various branches and emphasized the fact that the road traversed the best unoccupied territory in the country His address bristled with good points, amusing features and instruc- tion, ending with the statement that the Z, Mt. V and M was "as sure as death and taxes."

Col Cyril Hawkins followed In an able and eloquent address he gave the history of the road and its officials He told who they were and of their worth as business men He especially eulogized Col Boone, paying a tribute to his energy of character and honesty of purpose The Zanesville Belt line franchise and Boone s great victory there was referred to, and the advantages of the road to Marion were dwelt upon at length He spoke of the trifle asked and alluded to the recognition our city has in being named in the road

Henry Cassil, of Fredericktown, was next. His speech was short, simply epi tomizing the sentiments previously ex- pressed, though he did so so in forcible terms

Hon Allen Levering, of Mt Gilead, fol- lowed Mr Cassil in a very brief and excel- lent address The gentleman spoke of the relations of Mt Gilead and Marion and told how anxious the citizens of his place were that we should "get aboard"

Then came President Meigs, of Paines- ville He is a man of wealth, having an income of $40,000 annually, and his words could not be without effect. He said it was really to the company s interest to pass Marion, and he gave reasons for such a re- mark He guaranteed that every promise would be fulfilled

A resolution, proposed by A H Klung, was then read, the substance of which is as follows

WHEREAS We consider the building of the Black Diamond railroad to be of vast importance to our people in the way of en hancing the value of property and con ducive to manufacturing interests,

Resolved, That we therefore pledge our selves to raise the sum asked by the said road, and that a committee be appointed to at once carry out their instructions

Speeches by Messrs A H Kling, J C Johnston, Harry True, A LaTourrette, Judge Norris, W B Fisher, G H Kling, and others followed, after which the resolu tion was unanimously adopted

Then with three rousing cheers for the Black Diamond the meeting adjourned

Caledonia Chips

[From the Argus]

A series of meetings have been held at the Baptist church on the pike west of Clari don

On Sunday, the N Y, P and O section hands were called out to replace a broken rail near the water tank

On Thursday evening some of Miss Dru sie Walterhus friends from Marion and Galion met at her house and had a sociable dance

Ira Lyons of Stringtown, who has been suffering for some years with consumption, died on Saturday morning and was buried Sunday

Elmer Conaway and Grant Francis were unable to reach their schools on Monday, because the mighty Whetstone s banks were unable to control her waters

Uncle Joseph Mason is able to be around again, but is far from being well His at flction has made deep traces of its work and it will only be with care that he will master it

The condition of the editor is not at all flattering at the time of going to press He has been growing weaker since Thursday last and can t sleep over an hour at a time, and then awakes hard pressed for breath and is compelled to fight for an hour or two for his life, which t ars down about three times as much as the sleep builds up

The Citizens Band will give a grand musical recitation and band supper at Lud wig's Hall, on Friday and Saturday even ings, January 28 and 29, to which all are cordially invited The Iberia Cornet Band is to be present on Saturday evening and and assist in the exercises This is a young band but it has a reputation of being im mense for its age

Bucyrus Has Struck It

[The Critic]

Oil was struck this morning at the Mon nett Springs well at a depth of 2 502 feet and by noon it had filled 400 feet of the tube and was still rising The drill pene- trated the Trenton rock twenty five feet There was not sufficient gas to make the oil flow out at the top and the pump will have to be used to determine its capacity The oil seems to be of a first class quality and the indications are most promising that a new and productive oil field has been dis- covered Further developments will be awaited with much interest

Card of Thanks

We desire to return our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors and especially to M Dudley and others, who so kindly lent a helping hand in the sad hour of af- fliction and death of our dear daughter Effie MR and MRS IRA GORDINEER

WELCOMED HOME

S. A. Court is Given a Reception by the Marion Knights of Pythias, Upon His Return from Steubenville, where His Election as Grand Chancellor was Of- ficially Declared.

The K of P. vote of the two hundred and thirty-four Ohio lodges, which is cast by the 1484 past chancellors in the State, and which was given on grand officers last December, was officially counted at Steubenville, O, Thursday On Grand Chancellor the vote stood Court, 940, Collins, of Toledo, 544, giving Mr Court, of this city, a majority of 396.

Mr. Court was present at the official count, accompanied by H F Snyder, of this city, and the brethren here thought it proper to tender their honored brother a re- ception on his return. Accordingly Canby Lodge, headed by the Huber Band, met the Grand Chancellor-elect at the C, H V. and T depot upon his arrival and marched to Castel Hall, where a happy reception was tendered Congratulations and appropriate speeches lasted for an hour or more, when the meeting adjourned, all feeling pleased that Mr Court had received such an honor- ed position in the Knights of Pythias Grand Lodge of Ohio

The count shows the other grand officers to be Col. J. G Reeves of Lancaster, Grand Vice Chancellor, F. W. Sangborn of Cleveland, Grand Prelate, A. P Snyder of Tiffin, Grand M of E, Franklin Ellis of Troy, Grand M at A, J A Brown of Cin- cinnati, Grand I G, Chas C Reel of Co- lumbus, Grand O G, Walter B. Richie of Lima, Supreme Representative

Messrs Court and Snyder report having been royally received and grandly enter- tained at Steubenville

Prospect.

J C Johnston, of Marion, was in the city today.

Miss Retta Osborn, of Radnor, who has been visiting Miss Mary Adams in this place, returned to her home today

Miss Louie Rowe, of Circleville, is the guest of the Misses Emma and Millie Gast.

Prof E Eugene Davis made a flying trip to Marion yesterday

It is rumored that one of our meat mer- chants has taken unto himself a wife.

Jesse Clark left this morning for Dayton

Mrs Wes Callmer, of Columbus, is visit- ing her parents, Mr and Mrs Jacob Fritch, on north Elm street.

Max Hill is very sick again

George Howard went to Buffalo Tuesday

Emanuel Knachel is still sick

Mrs Wm Bechtel is slowly recovering her health

"Enlisted for the War" will be presented by the Prospect Dramatic association early in March

Abbey's Double Mammoth Uncle Tom's Cabin company will hold forth at the Opera House the latter part of the month

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C H Brenizer returned yesterday from an extended trip through the eastern part of the state

D F Jones, late in the employe of Mayer & Co, of Marion, was in the village today

Sickness prevails to all alarming extent through this section of the county

Quite a large number was disappointed last evening on account of the rink being closed

Rev Tulloss, of Radnor, was in town Thursday

Robert Cratty, who is in his 103d year, has been very sick for the past week, is re- covering

F B Stevensen, of Stevenson Engine works, Upper Sandusky, is superintending the setting of the machinery in Miller, Jones & Co 's mill

Max Hill is still down with Bright's Disease.

The dance given by Frank Mays, at the Town Hall last evening, turned out to be a complete fizzle

Business is very dull, but the Watkins Advertising Bureau report increasing or- ders

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LaRue

The Scioto is more quiet and requires less territory to hold it

Your correspondent has been confined to the house for some days, but at this writing is able to be about and hopes to continue so

Fitzgerald & Co have converted eight or ten large sugar trees into stove wood and put it up in good style near my residence

The protracted meeting at the M E church is in progress At the Baptist church last Sunday, three came up and gave their names—Mrs Myers widow of Elias Myers, Etta Myers and Mrs Allen We understand that Rev Zell intends to hold a protracted meeting here after he closes at Brush Ridge The friends of Rev Sutton hope that he will be invited to fill the pulpit a portion of the time I am not a zealous advocate of long protracted meet ings a quiet common sense way meets my approbation better By this I mean the use of reason uninfluenced by excitement or prejudice, the exercise of faculty by means of which we are enabled to see things as they really are

I learn that Rob't Myers is one of the company engaged in building a flouring mill at Richwood Rob t is a fair success at farming and we hope he may meet with success in his new calling

Hogs are bringing a good price now, but our people will not be benefited much, as they have none to sell Wheat is 77 cents

Jonathan Myers had $5000 life insurance. After all, I guess he paid out more than $3000 count interest on these annual pay- ments and how much is made?

A very general complaint of sore throat Doctors have not been called or we might have heard of several cases of diphtheria Common sense and prudence is all the treatment necessary If one branch taught in colleges was common sense we would have more successful scholars Common sense instead of Latin

Mrs Koons is better

Dr Briggs, of Scott Town, says there is some sickness scattered around and he has as much practice as he can properly attend to

"Orr" has not appeared in the Mirror for three weeks The reason can t be pressure of business.

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ACKNOWLEDGED!

The time is not long since competition boasted that our adherence to the strictly cash system was an ad- vertising dodge; now they adopt it themselves. No better endorsment could be wished. The cash plan is the bargain-maker for the buyer, and just now we are offering greater bargains in boots and shoes than ever before, and we'll tell you why:

-:-THE REASON.-:-

We scarcely need argue the matter to convince a thinking person of our reasons for offering unusual bargains now. Everyone knows that boot and shoe trade is governed by seasons like all others, we can not sell Fall or Winter goods in Spring or Summer The time is fast approaching when our Spring stock will arrive, and we pre- fer the space and money that we have in these goods to carrying over to another season and then be compelled to sell at a still greater sacrifice. Come and be convinced.

Tristram & Young,

The Pioneer Strictly Cash Boot and Sheo Men.

PROSPECT POINTERS.

THE PLACE IS VISITED BY THE STAR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

And the Commercial and Manufacturing Interests are Alluded to—Only a Part are Given—Others will Follow Later

The financial prosperity of any locality is largely dependent upon the tact, energy and stability of its business men, and Pros pect can furnish a full quota of worthy names

CARRIAGE WORKS

C Abel established his carriage works in prospect in 1881, and, in course of time, erected two large and well equipped build- ings, in which are employed in the various departments of blacksmithing, wood work painting and trimming from 12 to 14 hands This factory turns out from 75 to 100 ve- hicles per year, which have found ready purchasers even in distant states Mr Abel's work has been shown at the fairs of Marion and adjoining counties, where they have won a lion's share of the prizes and most favorable comment The popularity of these vehicles is largely due to the pains- taking care used in the selection of the ma- terial, and the manner of foraing and fin- ishing the various parts, as well as the ele- gance of the patterns in which they are built

NATIONAL FIOURING MILLS

Miller Jones & Co are just placing in po sition in their new mills erected near the depot a most elaborate and perfect system of machinery It is thought that the mills will start by March 1st The estimated cost of this new and important industry is $20, 000 It will have a capacity of 150 barrels per day, being by far the largest in the county It is supplied with seven double sets of rollers and fifteen centrifugal bolt- ers The main structure is 40x70 feet in di mensions and three stories high, with base- ment The machinery will be propelled by an engine of 100-horse power

PROSPECT ELEVATORS

In 1880 the firm of Wyatt & Watkins Bros was formed, and the same year their warehouse and elevators were erected, since which time the firm has done a thriving business in grain, wool, coal, etc They are supplied with all the modern facilities for shipping grain, which aggregates 150 cars per year

NEW WAREHOUSE

W W & J M Gast are just erecting a new warehouse on the north side of Water street, near the railroad, which promises to be a model of convenience for shipping, handling and shelling grain

FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING

One of the oldest and most reliable of Prospect s business men is Joseph Gast, who came to the town thirty five years ago, and by a strict adherance to the principles of industry, integrity and business enter prise has built up a large and prosperous business in furniture and undertaking His business block erected on the lot where he first started, is 100 feet in depth two stories high and well stocked with furniture to suit all patrons

GROCERS

The firm of A L Gast & Co, located on Main street south of Water have built up a good trade in groceries glass and queens ware A clean and neatly arranged and well selected stock greets the eye as you enter, and the very moderate prices asked for articles of use and beauty bring many purchasers

The genial firm of Knachel & Hallen on north Main street, enjoy an extensive and well deserved trade in staple and fancy groceries Their place of business is large and roomy, and by inaugurating business on the 'cash' plan they are enabled to give buyers the benefit of greatly reduced prices Try them

S N Smith, the Water street grocer has a large and pleasant room in the Gast & Smith block where after eight years of ex perience and acquaintance with the people as a business man, he has earned by up right dealing a goodly share of public pat ronage in his line

HARDWARE

Herbster & Gast, located on south Main street, carry a large stock of shelf hardware and implements, and as the season ap proaches when builders materials farmers tools and implements will be called in doubt all will remember this well known firm

Mounts & Isley also carry on an extensive business in this line The genial smiles of the senior member of this firm would alone attract customers but the nice clean stock and square dealing are the features that place is known by

MEAT MARKET

The firm of Kanchel & Glass successors to Glass Bros, carry a full supply of meats, and we cordially commend their market to the hungry public

PHOTOS

One of the most worthy and energetic business enterprises of Prospect is the pho- tographic studio of W H Dille It was established in 1886 and has steadily gained in popularity until its work receives most favorable comment everywhere Mr Dille occupies a pleasant suite of rooms in Nei- meyer s block and invites examination of his work

BAKERY

Among the younger business men we re- fer with pleasure to the bakery and restau- rant of F J Classmeyer, who is a compe- tent baker and clever caterer to the wants of the inner man

The STAR cannot close its resume of Prospect s firms and patrons without grate- ful mention of the pleasant hospitality en joyed by its representative at the Exchange, where Mayor Rhodes and his estimable lady entertain the weary traveler with an old time grace and cheer, and we close by saying that there is no better place in Ohio to get a comfortable bed and a square, well cooked meal than at the Exchange

Farm For Sale

One of the choicest farms in Morrow county consisting of 185 acres, is now of- fered for sale It is situated just east of Blooming Grove is well improved, has two dwelling houses and two barns, plenty of timber and water Can be purchased at $70 per acre, with $5000 cash down, and the rest in payments to suit the purchaser Address Mary A Harding Corsica O

Administrators' Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under signed have been duly appointed and qualified as administrators of the estate of Jonathan Myers late of Marion county, Ohio, deceased

23-3. G N MYERS R J MYERS

SHERIFF'S SALE.

POWELL & RICKETTS ET AL, vs I MAYER & CO ET AL

In Court of Common Pleas, Franklin county, O.

BY virtue of execution issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Franklin County Ohio and to me directed and delivered in the above named case I will offer for sale at Public Auc tion and private sale at the Room formerly oc- cupied by E Mayer & Co in Marion County, Ohio on Wednesday February 9th, A D, 1887 at the hour of 9 o clock a m of said day, the follow- ing described personal property of F Mayer & Co, to wit

The entire stock of groceries and provisions, glass ware wood and willow ware paper stock, meats, syrups canned goods, confectionary, teas, coffee and furniture and fixturers, scales, show cases tobacco and cigars and all other property now in Leonard Room Main street belonging to E Mayer & Co also one street lamp and one delivery wagon

Terms of Sale Cash in hand sale to continue from day to day until judgments are satisfied or the property disposed of

Dated at Marion O this 26th, day of January A D, 1887

F C BECKLY, Sheriff Marion County O POWELL & RICKETTS Plaintiff s Att'ys

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THE RED ACORN.

BY JOHN M'ELROY,
Author of "Andersonville," Etc

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[The name given this story is made glorious by the valor and achievements of the First division of the Fourteenth Army corps, the cognizance of which was a crimson acorn, worn on the breasts of its gallant soldiers and borne upon their battle flags.]

There came a sound of blows rained upon the horses' bodies—of shouts and oaths from excited drivers and eager officers—of rushing wheels and of ironed hoofs striking fire from the grinding stones. Six long bodied, strong limbed horses, their hides reeking with sweat, and their nostrils distended with intense effort, tore past, snatching after them, as if it were a toy, a gleaming brass cannon, surrounded by galloping cannoneers, who goaded the draft horses on with blows with the flats of their drawn sabers. Another gun, with its straining horses and galloping attendants, and another, and another, until six great, grim pieces, with their scores of desperately eager men and horses, had rushed by toward the front

It was a sight to stir the coldest blood The excited infantry boys, wrought up to the last pitch by the spectacle, sprang back into the road, cheered vociferously, and rushed on after the battery

Hardly had the echoes of their voices died away, when they heard the battery join its thunders to the din of the fight

Then wounded men, powder-stained, came straggling back—men with shattered arms and gashed faces and garments soaked with blood from bleeding wounds

"Hurrah, boys!" each shouted with weakened voice, as his eyes lighted up at sight of the regiment, "We're whipping them, but hurry forward! You're needed!'

"If you ain't pretty quick,' piped one girl faced boy, with a pensive smile, as he sat weakly down on a stone and pressed a delicate hand over a round red spot that had just appeared on the breast of his blouse, "you'll miss all the fun We've about licked 'em already. Oh!——"

Abe and Kent sprang forward to catch him, but he was dead almost before they could reach him. They laid him back tenderly on the brown dead leaves, and ran to regain their places in the ranks

The regiment was now sweeping around the last curve between it and the line of battle. The smell of the burning powder that filled the air, the sight of flowing blood, the shouts of the fighting men, had awakened in every bosom that deep-lying killing instinct inherited from our savage ancestry, which slumbers—generally wholly unsuspected—in even the gentlest man's bosom, until some accident gives it a terrible arousing

Now the slaying fever burned in every soul They were marching with long quick strides, but well closed ranks, elbow touching elbow and every movement made with even more than the accuracy of a parade Harry felt himself swept forward by a current as resistless as that which sets over Niagara.

They came around the little hill, and saw a bank of smoke indicating where the line of battle was.

"Let's finish the canteen now," said Kent "It may get bored by a bullet and all run out, and you know I hate waste "

"I suppose we might as well drink it," assented Abe—the first time in the history of the regiment, that he agreed with anybody "We may n't be able to do it in ten minutes, and it would be too bad to've lugged that all the way here, just for some one else to drink."

An aide, powder grimed, but radiant with joy, dashed up "Colonel," he said, "you had better go into line over in that vacant space there, and wait for orders, but I don't think you will have anything to do, for the general believes that the victory is won, and the Confederates are in full retreat '

As he spoke, a mighty cheer rolled around the line of battle, and a band stationed upon a rock which formed the highest part of the mountain, burst forth with the grand strains of the "Star Spangled Banner "

The artillery continued to hurl screaming shot and shell down into the narrow gorge, through which the defeated Confederates were flying with mad haste.

CHAPTER X

THE MOUNTAINEER'S REVENGE

Harry Glen's first feeling when he found the battle was really over, was that of elation that the crisis to which he had looked forward with so much apprehension, had passed without his receiving any bodily harm This was soon replaced by regret that the long coveted opportunity had been suffered to pass unimproved, and still another strong sentiment—that keen sense of disappointment which comes when we have braced ourselves up to encounter an emergency, and it vanishes. There is the feeling of waste of valuable accumulated energy, which is as painful as that of energy misapplied

Still further, he felt sadly that the day of his vindication had been again postponed over another weary period of probation

All around was intense enthusiasm growing stronger every instant. It was the first battle that the victors had been engaged in, and they felt the tumultuous joy that the first triumph brings to young soldiers It was the first encounter upon the soil of Kentucky, it was the first victory between the Cumberland mountains and the Mississippi river, and the loss of the victors was insignificant compared with that of the vanquished

The cold drench from the skies, the dreary mud—even the dead and wounded—were forgotten in the jubilation at the sight of the lately insolent foe flying in confusion down the mountain side, reckoning for nothing so much as for personal safety

The band continued to play patriotic airs and the cannon to thunder long after the last Confederate had disappeared in the thick woods at the bottom of the gloomy gorge

A detail of men and some wagons were sent back after the regiment's baggage, and the rest of the boys after a few minutes survey of the battlefield, were set to work building fires, cooking rations and preparing from the branches and brush such shelter as could be made to do substitute duty for the tents left behind

Little as was Harry's mental inclination to manual labor it was less than ever now with these emotions struggling in his mind, and leaving his comrades hard at work, he wandered off to where Hoosier Knob, a commanding eminence on the left of the battlefield, seemed to offer the best view of the retreat of the forces of Zollicoffer. Arriving there, he pushed on down the slope to where the enemy's line had stood, and where now were groups of men in blue uniforms, reaching for trophies of the fight. In one place a musket would be found, in another a cap with a silver star, or a canteen quaintly fashioned from alternate staves of red and white cedar Each 'find' was proclaimed by the discoverer, and he was immediately surrounded by a group to eagerly inspect and discuss it It was still the first year of the war, the next year trophies were left to rot unnoticed on the battlefields they covered.

Harry took no interest in the relic hunting, but walked onward toward another prominence that gave hopes of a good view of the Confederates. The glimpses he gained from this of the surging mass of fugitives inflamed him with the excitement of the chase—of the most exciting of chases, a man hunt. He forgot his fears, forgot how far behind he was leaving all the others, and became eager only to see more of this fascinating sight. Before he was aware of it, he was three or four miles from the gap.

Here a point ran boldly down from the mountain into the valley, and ended in a bare knob that overlooked the narrow creek bottom, along which the beaten host was forging its way Harry unhesitatingly descended to this, and stood gazing at the swarming horde below. It was a sight to rivet the attention. The narrow level space through which the creek meandered between two parallel ranges of heights was crowded as far as he could see with an army which defeat had degraded to a demoralised mob All semblance of military organization had well nigh disappeared. Horsemen and footmen, infantry, cavalry and artillery, officers and privates, ambulances creaking under their load of wounded and dying, ponderous artillery forges, wagons loaded with food, wagons loaded with ammunition, and wagons loaded with luxuries for the delectation of the higher officers—all huddled and crowded together, and struggled forward with fever ish haste over the logs, rocks, gullies and the deep waters of the swollen stream, and up its slippery banks, through the quicksands and quagmires which every passing foot and wheel beat into a still more grievous obstacle for those that followed. Hopelessly fagged horses fell for the last time under the merciless blows of their frightened masters, and added their great bulks to the impediments of the road.

The men were sullen and depressed—cast down by the wretchedness of earth and sky, and embittered against their officers and each other for the blood uselessly shed—oppressed with hunger and weariness, and momentarily fearful that new misfortunes were about to descend upon them In brief, it was one of the saddest spectacles that human history can present that of a beaten and disorganized army in full retreat, and an army so new to soldiership and discipline as to be able to make nothing but the worst out of so great a calamity—it was a rout after a repulse

Nearly all the passing thousands were too much engrossed in the miseries of their toilsome progress to notice the blue-coated figure on the bare knob above the road. But the rear of the fugitives was brought up by a squad of men moving much more leisurely and some show of order They did not plunge into the mass of man and animals and vehicles, and struggle with them in the morass which the road had now become, but deliberately picked their way along the sides of the valley, where the walking was easier They saw Harry, and understood as soon as they saw, who he was. Two or three responded to their first impulse, and raising their guns to their shoulders, fired at him. A bullet slapped against the rock upon which he was partially leaning, and fell at his feet. Another spattered mud in his face, and flew away, singing viciously

At the reports the fear harassed mob shuddered and surged forward through its entire length

The companions of those who fired seemed to reproach them with angry gestures, pointing to the effect upon the panicky mass. Then the whole squad rushed forward toward the hill

Deadly fear clutched Harry Glen's heart as the angry notes of the bullets jarred on his senses Then pride and the animal instinct of fighting for life flamed upward. So swiftly that he was scarcely conscious of what he was doing he snatched a cartridge from the box, tore its end between his teeth, and rammed it home He replaced the ramrod in its thimbes with one quick thrust, and as he raised his eyes from the nipple upon which he had placed the cap, he saw that the Confederate squad had gained the foot of the knoll and started up its side He raised the gun to fire, but as he did so he heard a voice call out from behind him.

"Skeet outen thar! Skeet outen thar! Come up heah, quick!"

Harry looked in the direction of the voice He saw a tall, slender, black haired man standing in the woods at the upper edge of the cleared space He was dressed in butternut jeans, and looked so much like the Confederates in front that Harry thought he was one of them The stranger noticed his indecision, and called out again still more peremptorily

"Skeet outen thar, I tell ye! Skeet outen thar! Come up heah I'm a friend—I'm Union '

His rifle came to his face at the same instant, and Harry saw the flame and white smoke puff from it, and the sickening thought flashed into his mind that the shot was fired at him, and that he would feel the deadly ball pierce his body Before he could more than formulate this he heard the bullet pass him with a screech and strike somewhere with a plainly sharp slap Turning his head he saw the leading Confederate stagger and fall Harry threw his gun up, with the readiness acquired in old hunting days, and fired at the next of his foes who also fell The other Confederates as they came up, gathered around their fallen comrades

Harry ran back to where the stranger was as rapidly as the clinging mud and the steep hillside would permit him

'Purty fa'r shot that," said the stranger, setting down the heavy rifle he was carefully reloading and extending his hand cordially as Harry came panting up "That's what I call mouty neat shooting—knock yer man over at 150 yards, down hill, with that ole smoothbore, and without no rest The oldest han' at the business couldn t've done no better

Harry was too much agitated to heed the compliment to his markmanship He looked back anxiously and asked

"Are they coming on yet!

"Skacely they hain't, said the stranger, with a very obvious sneer "Skacely they hain t comin' on no more They've had enuff, they hev Two of their best men dropt inter blue blazes on the first jump will take all the aidge off ther appetite for larks. I know 'em'

But they will come on They'll pursue us They ll never let us go now," said Harry, reloading his gun with hands trembling from the excitement and excitement.

He was yet too young a soldier to understand that his enemy's fright might be greater than his own

'Nary a time they won t," said the stranger derisively Them fellers are jest like Injuns they re red hot till one or two gets knocked over an then they cool down mouty suddent Why me an two others stopt the whole of Zollicoffer's army for two days by shootin the officer in command of the advance guard jest ez they was a comin up the hill this side of Barboursville fact They d a been at Wildcat last Friday if we hedn t skeered em so They stopt an hunted the whole country round for bushwackers afore they'd move any other step

But who are you asked Harry looking again at his companion's butternut garb

I'm called Long Jim Fortner an I've the name o bein the pizenest Union man in the rockassel mountains I han't a good current o' my p'litical principles (pointing with his thumb to where lay the man who had fallen under their bullets) Harry looked again in that direction Part of the squad were looking apprehensively toward him, as if they feared a volley from bushwhackers concealed near him, and others were taking from the bodies of the dead the weapons, belts and other articles which it was not best to leave for the pursuers, and still others were pointing to the rapidly growing distance between them and the main body, apparently adjuring haste in following

The great mental and bodily strain Harry had undergone since he had first heard the sound of cannon in the morning at the foot of Wildcat should have made him desperately weary But the sight of the man falling before his gun had fermented in his blood a fierce intoxication, as unknown, as unsuspected before as the passion of love had been before its first keen transports thrilled his heart. Like that ecstacy, this fever now consumed him. All fear of harm to himself vanished in its flame He had actually slain one enemy Why not another? He raised his musket The mountaineer laid his hand upon it.

"No," he said, "that's not the game to hunt. They'll do when thar's nothin' better to be bed, but now powder an' lead kin be used to more advantage Besides they're outen range o' your smooth bore now Come

As Fortner threw his rifle across his shoulder Harry looked at it curiously It had a long, heavy, six-sided barrel, with a large bore, double triggers and a gayly striped hickory ramrod in its thimbles. The stock, of fine, curly rock maple, was ornamented with silver stars and crescents and in the breech were cunning little receptacles for tow and patches and other rifle necessaries, each closed by a polished silver cover that shut with a snap It was evidently the triumph of some renowned Kentucky gunsmith's skill

The mountaineer's foot was on the soil he had trodden since childhood, and Harry found it quite difficult to keep pace with his strong, quick stride His step landed firm and sure on the sloping surfaces, where Harry slipped or shambled Clinging vines and sharp briers were avoided without an apparent effort, where every one grasped Harry or tore his face and hands

The instinct of the wolf or the panther seemed to lead Fortner by the shortest courses through the pathless woods to where he came unperceived close upon the flank of the mass of harassed fugitives. Then creeping behind a convenient tree with the supple lightness of the leopard crouching for a spring, he scanned with eager eyes the mounted officers within range Selecting his prey he muttered

' Tain't him, but he ll hev to do, this time "

The weapon rang out sharply The stricken officer threw up his sword arm, his bridle arm clutched his saddle pommel, as if resisting the attempt of death to unhorse him Then the muscles all relaxed, and he fell into the arms of those who had hurried to him

Harry fired into the mass the next instant, a few random shots replied, and another impetus of fear spurred the mob onward

Fortner and Harry sped away to an other point of interception, where the same scene was repeated, and then to another, and then to a third, Fortner muttering after each shot his disappointment at not finding the one whom he anxiously sought

When they hurried away the third time they were compelled to make a wide circuit, for the little valley suddenly broadened out into a considerable plain Upon this the long drawn out line of fugitives gathered in a compact, turmoiling mass

"That's Little Rockassel ford," said Fortner, pointing with his left hand to the base of the mountain that rose steeply above the farther side of the commotion "That's Rockassel mountain runnin' up thar inter the clouds. The Little Rockassel river runs round hits foot. That's what's a stoppin 'em They'll hev a turrible time gittin' across hit Hit's mouty hard crossin' at enny time, but hits awful now, fur the Rockassel's boomin' The big rains hev sent her up kitin, an' hit's now breast deep thar in the ford Well git round whar we kin see hit all '

Another wide detour to keep themselves in the concealment of the woods brought Fortner and Harry out upon an acclivity that almost overhung the ford and those gathered around it The two Unionists crawled cautiously through the cedars and laurel to the very edge of the cliff and looked down upon their enemies. They were so near that everything was plainly visible and the hum of conversation reached their ears They could even hear the commands of the officers vainly trying to restore order, the curses of the teamsters upon their jaded animals, the ribald songs of the few whose canteens furnished them with forgetfulness of defeat, and contempt for the surrounding misery

All the flooding showers which had been falling upon hundreds of square miles of precipitous mountain sides were now gorging through the crooked, narrow throat of the Little Rockcastle The torrent filled the ragged banks to the brim, and in its greedy swirl undermined and tore from there logs, great trees and even rocks

This was the barrier that stayed the flight of the fugitive throng, and it was this that they strove to put between them and the presumed revengeful victors

On the bank field and line officers labored to calm their men and restore organization It was in vain that they pointed out that there had been no pursuit thus far and the unlikelihood of there being one. When did Panic yield to Reason? In those demoralized ears the thunder of the cannon at Wildcat, the crash of the bursting shells and the deadly whistle of bullets still rang louder than any words officers could speak

The worst frightened crowded into the stream in a frenzy and struggled wildly with the current that swept their feet off the slimy limestone of the bottom, with the logs and trees dashing along like so many catapult bolts and with the horses and teams urged on by men more fear stricken still On the steep slope on the other side glimmered numbers of little fires where those who were lucky enough to get across were warming and drying themselves.

Heavens' said Harry with an anticipatory shudder, if our men should come up the first cannon shot would make half these men drown themselves in trying to get away

Fortner heeded him not The mountaineer's eyes were fixed upon a tall, imperious looking man, whose collar bore the silver stars of a colonel

He has found his man at last said Harry, noting his companion's attitude and picking up his own gun in readiness for what might come

Fortner half-cocked his rifle, took from its nipple the cap that had been there an hour and flung it away He picked the powder out of the tube, replaced it with fresh from his horn selected another cap carefully, fitted it on the nipple and let the hammer down with the faintest snap to force it to its place.

His eyes had the look of the rattlesnake's when it coils for a spring and his breast swelled out as if he was summoning all his strength He stepped forward to a tree so lightly that there came no rustle from the dead leaves he trod upon Harry took his place on the other side of the tree and cocked his musket

So close were they to hundreds of Confederates with arms in their hands that it seemed simply an invitation to death to call their attention.

Fortner turned and waved Harry back as he heard him approach, but Glen had apparently exhausted all his capacity for fearing in the march upon Wildcat, and he was now calmly desperate.

The colonel rode out from the throng toward the level spot at the base of the ledge upon which the two were concealed. The horse he bestrode was a magnificent thoroughbred, whose fine action could not be concealed, even by his great fatigue

"Go and find Mars," said the colonel to an orderly, "and tell him to build a fire against that rock there and make us some coffee. We will not be able to get across the ford before midnight." The orderly rode off, and the colonel dismounted and walked forward with the cramped gait of a man who had been long in the saddle.

Still louder yells arose from the ford. A powerful horse, ridden by an officer who was trying to force his way across, had slipped on the river's glassy bed stones, in the midst of a compact throng, and carried many with it down into the deep water below the crossing

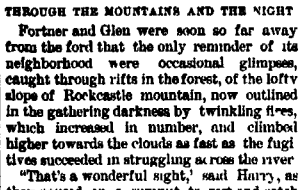
The colonel's lip curled with contempt as h continued his walk.

A sharp little click sounded from Fortner's rifle He had set the hair trigger

He stepped out clear of the tree, and gave a peculiar whistle The colonel started as he heard the sound, looked up, saw who uttered it, and instinctively reached his hand back to the holster for a revolver

Down would scarcely have been ruffled by Fortner's light touch upon the trigger.

Fire flamed from the rifle's muzzle.



Fortner had found his man.

The colonel's haughty eyes became sterner than ever The holster was torn as he wrenched the revolver out. A clutch at the mane, and he fell forward on the wet brown leaves—dead!

Dumb amazement filled the horse's great eyes, he stretched out his neck and smelled his lifeless master inquiringly

A shot from Harry's musket, fifty from the astounded Confederates and the two Unionists sped away unhurt into the cover of the dark cedars.

CHAPTER XI

THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS AND THE NIGHT

Fortner and Glen were soon so far away from the ford that the only reminder of its neighborhood were occasional glimpses, caught through rifts in the forest, of the lofty slope of Rockcastle mountain, now outlined in the gathering darkness by twinkling fires, which increased in number, and climbed higher towards the clouds as fast as the fugitives succeeded in struggling across the river

"That's a wonderful sight,' said Harry, as they paused on a summit to rest and catch breath "It reminds me of some of the war scenes in Scott or the Iliad."

"Hit looks ter me like a general coon hunt," said Fortner "on'y over thar hit's the coons, an' not the hunters, that bev the torches. Well," continued Fortner, meditatively, "Ole Rockassel's gittin' a glut to-night. She'd orten't ter need no more now fur a hundred yeahs."

"I don't understand you," said Harry

"Why, they say thet the Rockassel hez ter bev a man every sprung an' fall. The Injuns believed hit, an' hit's ben so ever since the white folks come inter the country Last spring it war the turn o' the Fortner kin to gi'n her a man, an' she levied on a first cousin o' mine—a son o' Aunt Debby Brill But less jog on, we've got a good piece fur ter go "

It was now night—black and starless, and the dense woods through which they were traveling made the darkness thick and impenetrable. But no check in Fortner's speed hinted at any ignorance of the course or encountering of obstacles. He continued to stride forward with the same swift, certain step as in the day time But for Harry, who could see nothing but his leader's head and shoulders, and whose every effort was required to keep these in sight, the journey was full of painful toil. The relaxation from the intense strain manifested itself in proportion as they seemed to recede from the presence of the enemy, and his spirits flagged continually

At length Fortner slackened his pace, and began to move with caution.

"Are we coming upon the enemy again?" asked Harry, in a loud whisper, which had yet a perceptible quaver in it.

"No," answered Fortner but we're a comin' ter what is every bit an' grain ez danger some Heah's whar the path winds round Blacksnake cliff, an' ye'll hev ter be es keerful o' your footin' es ef ye war treadin' the slippery ways o' sin The path's no wider'n a hoss's back, an' no better ter walk on On the right hand side hit's several rods down ter whar the creek a tearin' 'long like a mad dog Heah hit now, can't ye?"

For some time the roar of the torrent sweeping the gorge had filled Harry's ears.

'Ye want ter walk slow,' continued Fortner, "an' feel keerfully with yer foot every time afore ye set hit squarly down Keep yer left hand a feelin the rocks above yer, so s ter make shore all the time that ye're close ter em. Bout half way thar's a big break in the path Hit's jess one step across hit. Take one step arter I say that I'm across, then feel keerfully with yer left foot fur the aidge o' the break, an' then step out ez long ez ye kin with yer right That'll bring ye over Be shore o' yer feet, an' ye'll be all right."

Harry trembled more than at any time before. They were already on the path around the steep cliff The darkness was inky The roar of the waters below rose loudly—angrily The walls of the wildcats behind, overhead and in front of them, made it seem as if the sighing pines and cedars were inhabited with lost spirits shrieking warnings of impending disaster

Harry's foot came down upon a bowlder which turned under his weight. He regained his balance with a start, but the stone toppled over He listened. There were scores of heart beats before it splashed in the water below

"Not so much as a twig between here and eternity," he said to himself, with a shudder Then aloud "Can't we stay here, some place, and not go along there to-night?"

The roar of the water drowned his voice before it reached Fortner's ears, and Harry obeying the instinct to accept leadership, followed the mountaineer tremblingly

In a little while he felt—more than saw—Fortner stop, adjust his feet, and make a long stride forward with one of them Glen collected himself for the same effort He had now escapes which he had made from slipping into the hungry torrent had shaken every nerve.

"I'm over," called out Fortner. "Ye try hit now."

Harry balanced his gun so as to embarrass him the least and carefully felt with his left foot for the edge of the chasm. The catamount announced his renewed presence by a vindictive scream. The clouds parted just enough to let through a rift of gray light, but it fell not upon the brink of the black gap in the path. It showed for an instant the whirlpool, with fragments of tree trunks, of ghastly likeness to drowned human bodies eddying dizzily around

"Come on," called out Fortner, impatiently

Harry stopped out desperately. For a mental eternity he hung in air. His hands relaxed and his gun dropped with a crash and a splash. Then his foot touched the other side with nervous doubtfulness. It slipped and he felt himself falling—falling into all that he feared. Fortner grasped his collar with a strong hand and dragged him up against the rocky wall of the path.

"Thar, yer all right," he said, panting with the exertion, "but hit was a mouty loud call fur ye. Gabriel's ho'n cou'dn't 've made a much mo' powerful one "

"I've lost my gun," said Harry, regretfully, as soon as he could compose himself

"Cuss-an'-burn the blasted ole smooth bore," said Fortner, contemptuously "Don't waste no tears on thet ole kick-out-behind. We'll go 'long 'tween Wildcat an' the Ford an' pick up a wagon load uv ez good shooters ez thet clumsy chunk o' pot-metal was. Shake yourself together We've on'y got a mile or so ter go now."

In Harry's condition the "mile or so" seemed to be stretching out a long ways around the globe, and he began to ask himself how near he was to the much referred-to "heart of the southern Confederacy "

At length a little fading toward gray of the thick blackness told that they had emerged from the heavy woods into more open country Harry thought they were come to fields, but he could see nothing, and without remark plodded on painfully after his leader

Suddenly a pack of dogs immediately in front of them broke the stillness with a startling diapason, ranging from the deep bass of the mastiff to the ringing bark of t fox hounds. Mingled with this was the sound of the whole pack rushing fiercely forward. Fortner stopped in his tracks so abruptly that Glen stumbled against him. The mountaineer gave the peculiar whistle he had uttered at the ford. The rush ceased instantly The deep growls of the mastiffs and bulldogs stopped likewise, only the hounds and the shrill voiced young dogs continued barking

The darkness was rent by a long narrow lane of light. A door had been opened in a tightly closed house just beyond the dogs.

"Down, Tige! Git out, Beauty!" said Fortner, imperiously "Lay down, Watch! Quiet, Bruno!"

The clamors of the gang changed to little yelps of welcome

"Is that you, Jim f" inqured a high pitch t but not unpleasant voice from the door.

"Yes, Aunt Debby," answered Fortner, "an' I hev some one with me."

As the two approached, surrounded by the fawning dogs, a slender, erect woman appeared in the doorway, holding above her head, by its nail and chain, one of the rude iron lamps common in the houses of the mountains.

"Everything all right, Aunt Debby f" asked Fortner, as, after entering, he turned from firmly securing the door by placing across it a strong wooden bar that rested in the timbers on either side.

"Yes, thank God!" she said with quiet fervor She stepped with graceful freedom over the floor, and hung the lamp up by thrusting the nail into a crack in one of the logs forming the walls of the room "An' how is hit with ye?" she asked, facing Fortner, with her large gray eyes eloquent with solicitude.

"O, ez fur me, I m jes ez sound ez when I left heah last week, 'cept thet I'm tireder'n a plow mule at night, an' hongrier nor a b'ar thet's lived all winter by suckin' hits paws."

"I s'pose y' air tired an' hongry, ye look hit," said the woman, with a compassionate glance at Harry, who had sank limply into a chair before the glowing wood fire that filled up a large part of the end of the room

"Set down by the fire," she continued, "an' I'll git ye some pone an' milk Thar's nothin' better ter start in on when yer rale empty " She went to a rude cupboard in the further part of the room, whence the note of collid ing crockery soon gave information that she was busy

Fortner took a bunch of tow from his pouch and with it wiped off every particle of dampness from the outside of his rifle, after which he laid the gun on two wooden hooks above the fireplace, and hung the accouterments on deer horns at its breech

'Pull off yer shoes an' toast yer feet," he said to Harry "I he fire'll draw the tiredness right out "

Harry's relaxed fingers fumbled vainly with the wet and obstinate shoe strings. Aunt Debby came up with a large bowl of milk in each hand, and a great circular loaf of corn bread under her arm She placed her burden upon the floor, and with quick, deft fingers loosened the stubborn knots without an apparent effort, drew off the muddy shoes and set them in a dark corner near the fireplace before Harry fairly realized that he had let a woman do this humble office for him. The sight and smell of food aroused him from the torpor of intense fatigue, and he devoured the homely fare set before him with a relish that he had never before felt for victuals. As he ate his senses awakened so that he studied his hostess with interest Hair which the advancing years, while bleaching to a snowy white had still been unable to rob of the curling waves of girlhood, rippled over a broad white brow, sober but scarcely wrinkled, large, serious but gentle gray eyes, and a small, firm mouth, filled with even white teeth, were the salient features of a face at once resolute, refined and womanly Long, slender hands, small feet, covered with coarse but well fitting shoes, a slight, erect figure, suggestive of nervous strength, and clad in a shapely homespun gown stamped her as a superior specimen of the class of mountaineer women to which she belonged.

"Heah's 'nuther pone, honey," she said to Fortner, as she handed both of them segments of another disk of corn bread, to replace that which they had ravenously devoured An le'me fill yer bowls agin. Hit takes a powerful sight o' bread an' milk ter do when one's rale hongry But 'tain't like meat vittels Ye can't eat nuff ter do ye harm.'

She took from its place behind the rough stones that formed the jam of the fireplace a rude broom, made by shaving down to near its end long slender strips from a stick of pliant green hickory, then turning these over the end and confining them by a band into an exaggerated mop or brush. With this she swept back from the hearth of uneven stones the live coals flung out by the fire

"Thar s some walnut sticks amongst thet wood," she said as she replaced the hearth broom, "an' they pops awful."

From a pouch like basket, made of skillfully interwoven hickory strips, and hanging against the wall, she took a half finished stocking and a ball of yarn. Drawing a low rocking chair up into the light, she seated herself and began knitting

As he neared the last of his second bowl of eyes directed upward in fervent appeal, there was much to recall that Deborah from whom she took her name—that prophetess and priestess who, standing under the waving palm trees of Baal-Tamar, inspired her countrymen to go forth and overthrow and destroy their Canaanitish oppressors.

"O God!" she said, in low, thrilling tones "Thou'st aforetimes gi'n me much ter be thankful fur, as well ez much ter dumbly b'ar when Thy rod smote me fur reasons that I couldn't understand. Thou knows how gladly I'd've gi'n not on'y my pore, nigh-spent life, but also those o' my kinsmen, which I prize much higher, fur such a victory ez this over the inimies of Thee an' Thy people But Thou'st gi'n hit free ez Thy mercy, without axin' blood sacrifice from any on us. I kin on'y praise Thee an' Thy goodness all my days."

DER NORT SEIT TRAGEDY.

The shades of night were dim after
When Smithers took an open car,
The air was cold and drear and gray
And every zephyr seemed to say—
Hay fever

The hard backed seats were chill and bare,
And Smithers sat and shivered there.
While whistling winds did shrilly blow
And ever seemed to whisper low—
"Neuralgy"

The mules flew wildly down the track,
The night air crept down Smither's back,
The canvas curtains round did shake,
And ev'ry draught brought in its wake
Pneumonia.

John Smithers blew his weeping nose
And shuffled round his frosted toes,
But are he reached his humble door
Alas! poor Smithers was no more—
Consumption.

—Chicago News.

THE WHEELMAN'S WOE.

The melancholy days have come,
The saddest of the cycle;
When earth's so hard it breaks one's neck
To fall from a bicycle.

—Life.

Aphorisms from the Quarters.

De cooles' spring hides de closest 'mongst de rocks.

Las' 'ear's hot spell cools off mighty fas'

Light nigger too much for de so'-back horse.

De meller apple give fa'r warnin' 'fo' it fall

De noise o' de wheels don't medjer de load in de wagon.

Wild goose in de wheat fiel' don't go to sleep

'Twon't he'p de crop t plant a new fangled sort o' corn wid fifteen ears to de stalk on de po' broomstraw fiel', dat sort o' land got all it kin do raisin' one ear to de hill.

De dog dat try to scratch a mole out de groun' ain't got 'nough edication to hurt him.

Blind horse know when de trough empty

Tar'p'n on de log is jes' safe as de red fox in de bushes.—J A. Macon in Century

What O'Connor?

"Oconomowoc," yelled the brakeman.

"O'Connor may walk, may he!" exclaimed an Irishman at the other end of the car An' faith, if yez mane me, you'll have a foine time makin' O'Connor walk whin he's paid $5 for this bit o' pasteboard."—St. Paul Herald.

From Child to Woman.

"You shouldn' act in such a childish manner," said a mother in a chiding tone of voice to her little daughter "You will soon be a young lady, you know "

"If that's so, ma," replied the little tot rather skeptically, "don't you think that it is about time that my bustle was beginning to grow?"—Judge.

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